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August 4, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES CONTRACT PROGRAMS  
APPROVAL OF SUPERCEDING AND REVISED AGREEMENT FORMATS  
AND APPROVAL OF HOURLY RATE INCREASES FOR SPECIFIED PHYSICIAN  
SPECIALTIES**

(All Districts) (Three Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Make a finding that certain specialty medical services provided on a full-time basis, as described in the second recommendation below, can be performed more economically by contracting with the private sector under County Code section 2.121.280; and that these critically needed Proposition A services provided by individual practitioners shall be exempt from a formal bidding or competitive negotiation process because to conduct a formal competitive process to select individual physician specialists would cause an adverse impact on the continuity of patient care at Department of Health Services facilities and would not guarantee the generation of a comprehensive list of available and qualified physicians and other medical practitioners in the particular specialty needed at any given time to cover all of the critical staffing needs that may arise on short notice at a DHS facility.
2. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to offer and the Chair to sign, following execution by the physicians, seven superceding Full-Time (Proposition A) Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreements, which are in compliance with the provisions

of Proposition A under County Code Chapter 2.121, substantially similar to Exhibit I, with those contractors identified on Attachment B, who have been determined by the County's Auditor Controller to be cost-effective under Proposition A guidelines at confidential rates of payment on file with DHS, effective Board approval through June 30, 2009, for the continued provision of ongoing, full-time personnel services for County patients at DHS facilities, at an estimated annual Net County Cost of \$1,203,065.

3. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to offer and sign 123 superceding and 13 new Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreements that satisfy traditional Civil Service exceptions permitting contracts and which are exempt under the provisions of Proposition A under County Code Chapter 2.121, substantially similar to Exhibit II, with the contractors identified on Attachments C and D, and at confidential rates of payment on file with DHS, effective upon Board approval through June 30, 2009, for the provision of personnel services on an as-needed or intermittent basis, for County patients at DHS facilities, at an estimated annual Net County Cost of \$15,259,482.
4. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to offer and sign one superceding Physician Specialty Medical Services/Physician Registry Services Agreement that satisfies traditional Civil Service exceptions permitting contracts and which is exempt under the provisions of Proposition A under County Code Chapter 2.121, substantially similar to Exhibit III, with the registry contractor identified on Attachment E, and at the rates of payment listed on Attachment E, effective upon Board approval through June 30, 2009, for the provision of registry personnel services on an as-needed or intermittent basis, for County patients at DHS facilities, at an estimated annual Net County Cost of \$1,254,200.
5. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to a) increase the maximum hourly rate paid for physician services under the Part Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement, in the subspecialties of anesthesiology, cardiology (echocardiography), cardiothoracic surgery, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatric surgery, plastic surgery (reconstructive), neurosurgery, vascular surgery, from \$125.00 per hour to \$225.00 per hour, and for dermatology services from \$125.00 to \$175.00 per hour, and b) provide for an on-call rate, with the exception of dermatology, for these subspecialties and radiological services, equal to up to 50 percent of the on-site hourly rate, effective upon Board approval through June 30, 2009.
6. Approve and instruct the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to offer and sign new physician specialty medical services agreements, substantially similar to Exhibit II, effective upon Board approval, or later, through June 30, 2009, for the provision of as-needed personnel services on a part-time/intermittent basis, at negotiated rates not to exceed \$225.00 and \$175.00 per hour, respectively, for those subspecialties identified above in item 5, and not to exceed \$125.00 per hour for all other specialties, and limited to physicians (Medical Doctors and Doctors of Osteopathy) who are board-certified or board eligible in a specialty recognized by the American Medical Association.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Department of Health Services (DHS) facilities have been experiencing significant difficulty in recruiting physician staff in a number of critical subspecialties to provide clinical services. The specific physician subspecialties are anesthesiology, cardiology (echocardiography), cardiothoracic surgery, dermatology, neurosurgery, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatric surgery, plastic surgery (reconstructive), and vascular surgery. The increase in physician specialty rates will bring County rates more in line with those of the private sector and will assist the Department's efforts to ensure appropriate clinical coverage in these areas.

Additionally, on April 26, 2005, the Board instructed County Counsel to review the existing physician services agreements and update the contract language, as necessary, to prevent billing and other misuses of the these agreements. County Counsel has made these revisions to the Physician Specialty Medical Services/Physician Registry Services, Full-Time (Proposition A) Physician Specialty Medical Services, and Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreements. This action would authorize the Department of Health Services to replace the current agreements, and execute new agreements, with the revised contract language.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The total estimated annual expenditure for the Full-Time (Proposition A) and Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreements is \$16,462,547. The estimated expenditure for the Physician Registry Services Agreement is \$1,254,200. Funding for these agreements and to cover the increased maximum hourly rate for these physician specialty services is available in the Department's Fiscal Year 2005-06 Board Adopted Budget.

The hourly rates and contract maximum obligations for the Full-Time (Proposition A) and Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreements are on file with DHS and are kept confidential in accordance with section 1457 of the California Health and Safety Code.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

*Contract Language*

The Department utilizes three Board-approved form agreements to obtain contract physician services. These are the Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement for Physician Registry Services, Proposition A/Full-Time Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement, and Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement. These agreements are used across the Department in the hospitals and comprehensive health centers.

Earlier this year, it was brought to light that due to mismanagement of a Physician Registry Services Agreement by one of the DHS facilities a registry physician was allowed to provide clinical hours in excess of what was allowed under the agreement terms. In response, the Board instructed County

Counsel to review all the existing physician services agreements and make appropriate revisions to prevent such an occurrence in the future. County Counsel has reviewed and revised the three form agreements to strengthen the oversight requirements in the agreements, more clearly define the circumstances under which the agreements may be utilized, and impose stricter monitoring requirements for physician managers. Attachment A outlines the specific changes in the contract terms.

#### *Contract Hourly Rates*

For the past several years, DHS facilities have encountered increasing difficulty in recruiting and retaining qualified physician in a number of subspecialties. The actions in this Board letter would allow the Department to increase the maximum hourly rate for certain hard-to-obtain physician subspecialists.

On June 29, 2004, your Board approved the renewal of the Specialty Medical Services Contract Program for Physicians, effective July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2009, which establishes agreements with individual physician providers to supplement County-employed physicians in areas in which the Department has difficulty recruiting necessary physician coverage or in which a limited amount of service is required. The maximum hourly rate established for these agreements is \$125.00 per hour. These agreements are available for all clinical specialties and subspecialties. These form agreements were approved through June 30, 2009.

On March 29, 2005, the Board approved an increase in the hourly rate for physician radiology services from \$125.00 to \$225.00 per hour. At that time, the Department indicated that it would be evaluating the contract rates for other hard-to-recruit medical specialties covered under the Specialty Medical Services Contract Program for Physicians in comparison with the private sector rates and returning to with recommendations for revised rates in these areas, as appropriate. The Department's Office of Clinical Affairs and Affiliations worked with each of the DHS facilities to evaluate the critical physician specialty needs and the recommendations for physician subspecialty areas that warrant an increase are represented in this Board letter.

All of these clinical specialties represent critical physician shortage areas in the Department and some are indicative of statewide or national shortages. For each of these disciplines, salaries have risen dramatically in recent years; however, neither the Department's physician compensation nor its contract rates have risen commensurately. As a result, DHS hospitals have difficulty in recruiting sufficient numbers of physicians to provide services in some areas.

Additionally, private practice salaries generally exceed those in the academic setting for physicians with the same level of experience. The current hourly rate of \$125.00 is not sufficient to attract as-needed physicians in these areas. Approval of the recommended action would bring the individual contract maximum hourly rate offered by the County for these physician subspecialty services is consistent with rates charged by the private sector and will assist the DHS facilities in obtaining necessary highly specialized clinical services on a part-time or intermittent basis.



The hourly rate increase and on-call rate would apply only to physician services provided under the Part-Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement. Additionally, the on-call rate does not apply to dermatologic services. On a full-time basis, the hourly rates proposed in this Board letter exceed the cost of providing the physician services directly and thus are not cost effective under Proposition A. As has been discussed in a separate July 13, 2005, Board memo, the Department will be pursuing the issue of employed physician compensation through a separate action this fall.

This Board action does not include any of the registry or individual physician agreements that are in place for the High Desert Health System. Due to a number of special issues that result from the remote nature of the High Desert Multi-Specialty Ambulatory Care Center and the resultant difficulty in recruiting sufficient physician personnel in a number of clinical areas, the current agreements for this facility will be left in place and addressed in subsequent Board letter that will be brought forward this fall.

The Department will continue to provide medical defense and malpractice indemnification of direct patient care provided to County patients under these contracts as part of its contract consideration.

Under the termination provisions of the agreement, either party may terminate the agreement with a 30-day advance written notice to the other party.

Attachments A through E provide additional information. Exhibits I through III have been reviewed and approved by County Counsel as to use and form.

#### CONTRACTING PROCESS:

It is not appropriate to advertise a contract amendment on the Los Angeles County Online Website as a central business opportunity. However, the Specialty Medical Services Contract Program for Physicians contract is a Board-approved form agreement that can be accessed by qualified providers of the identified services.

To identify future physician contractors, DHS facilities will canvas the Los Angeles County Medical Association and other local or regional physician associations for potential qualified contractors and will advertise in local medical publications.

Once identified, potential physician specialist contractors will be required to complete a certification questionnaire (reviewed and approved by County Counsel and on file with the Department), to determine medical practice history, including the occurrence of any disciplinary action by the State Medical Board (e.g., licensure revocation, suspension, or probation; professional malpractice judgments or settlements; exclusion from participation in a federally-funded health care program; or termination of a County contract for quality of care reasons. Additionally, DHS will query the National Data Bank and the State Medical Board (or other State regulatory agency) to

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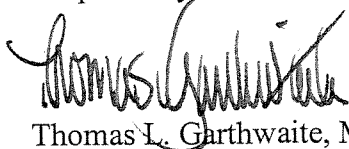
determine whether the candidate has any disciplinary or malpractice history over their immediate prior three years. Those with such adverse history will be disqualified from participation in the program.

All physicians must: 1) be either board certified or board eligible in an area of specialty recognized by the American Medical Association; 2) meet the credentialing requirements of each County hospital, which includes a review of the physician's malpractice history; 3) join the medical staff; and, 4) comply with the Professional Staff Association Bylaws of the County hospital.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

Board approval of the recommended action will allow the Department to obtain necessary physician services in the clinical subspecialties of anesthesiology, cardiology (echocardiography), cardiothoracic surgery, dermatology, neurosurgery, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatric surgery, plastic surgery (reconstructive), vascular surgery at its facilities.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director and Chief Medical Officer

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County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
Auditor-Controller

## **Summary of Contract Changes**

### Physician Specialty Medical Services/Physician Registry Services Agreement

- The definition of “Part-time” and “Intermittent” would be clarified to apply to physician services needed to cover unanticipated/critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, or vacation coverage. Use of a registry physician for any other purpose would be prohibited.
- Registry agencies would be prohibited from recruiting County employees.
- The County would be required to notify registry agency if a contract physician expresses an interest in working for the County and the facility desires to recruit the physician into County service.
- The full-time assignment of registry physicians and the placement of these physicians “on-call” would be prohibited.
- The facility administrator would be responsible for controlling the actual times and dates of registry physician assignments and would be responsible for noting, in writing, the need that gave rise to the assignment (e.g., critical staffing shortage, peak workload, etc.).
- Physicians would be permitted to work only an eight hour shift.
- Facilities would be permitted to use registry physicians on an hourly basis, only in the event the physician’s services are required for fewer than eight hours.

### Full Time (Proposition A) Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement

- Individual contracts would contain a maximum obligation provision to enable the determination as to whether the agreement is cost effective, in accordance with Proposition A requirements.
- Proposition A physicians would be prohibited from working “on-call” hours. These physician would be permitted to work up to 16 hours (e.g., a double shift) within any 24 hour period, at the discretion of the facility medical director.
- The facility medical director would be responsible for developing and maintaining a written schedule for all Proposition A contract physicians.
- Contract physicians would be required to obtain prior written approval from the facility medical director prior to engaging in any administrative activities at the facility and would be prohibited from engaging in continuing medical education activities.

- The facility medical director would be responsible for assuring that services were actually provided and that time records reflecting the actual hours of service are maintained.
- Contract physicians would be required to submit an invoice with “reasonable detail” describing the type of service provided, the date and hours worked, and the applicable hourly rate.

#### Individual Part Time/Intermittent Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement

- The definition of “Part-time” and “Intermittent” would be clarified to apply to physician services needed to cover unanticipated/critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, or vacation coverage. Use of a registry physician for any other purpose would be prohibited.
- Individual contracts would contain a maximum obligation provision to enable the determination as to whether the contract amount exceeds a cost that is compatible with a part-time assignment.
- Only specified categories – anesthesiology, cardiology (echocardiography), cardiothoracic surgery, dermatology, neurosurgery, ophthalmology, orthopedics, pediatric surgery, plastic surgery (reconstructive), radiology (interventional and invasive), and vascular surgery – would be permitted to work on-call at the lower rate.
- All service hours, regardless of classification, must be counted in the 1,767 annual hour cap, as determined by the Auditor-Controller, and the compensation for on-call services would be up to 50 percent of the maximum hourly rate for the subspecialty.
- The facility medical director would be responsible for developing and maintaining a written schedule for all Proposition A exempt physicians and would also be responsible for distinguishing on the written schedule whether the physician is scheduled on-site or on-call.
- The facility medical director would be restricted to using Prop. A exempt physicians only to serve the following service needs: unanticipated/critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, vacation coverage, or service needs that are sporadic or other unpredictable in nature such that they do not require coverage by a full-time physician. The facility medical director would be required to state the reason for utilizing the exempt contract physician, in accordance with the above categories, on each written schedule.
- Contract physicians would be required to obtain prior written approval from the facility medical director prior to engaging in any administrative activities at the facility and would be prohibited from engaging in continuing medical education activities.
- The facility medical director would be required to assure that services were actually provided and that time records reflecting actual hours of service are maintained.

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**FULL-TIME (PROPOSITION A) CONTRACTS  
(TO BE SUPERSEDED)**

<u>Provider Name</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Facility</u>
A.M. Nisar Syed, M.D./ Khatija Syed, M.D.	73447-S-1	King/Drew
Jimmy Brown, M.D., D.D.S.	73446-S-1	King/Drew
Leon Salem, M.D.	73438-S-1	King/Drew
Peter C. Hou, M.D.	74924	King/Drew
Rodney K. McKeever, M.D.	73448-S-1	King/Drew
Arthur S. Zimmerman, M.D.	74922	Harbor-UCLA
Joseph Allevato, M.D.	73449-S-1	Roybal CHC

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**PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT CONTRACTS  
(TO BE SUPERSEDED)**

<u>Providers at Rancho Los Amigos</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>
Anjana V. Kamdar, M.D.	H-700440
Benjamin Covington, M.D.	H-700527
Changgao Yang, M.D.	H-701145
Daniel Y. Shin, M.D.	H-700442
David Ginsberg, M.D.	H-700443
David Wall, M.D.	H-700444
Donna M. Barras, M.D.	H-700445
Douglas E. Garland, M.D.	H-700446
Francisco Sapico, M.D.	H-700534
Gilbert Gelfand, M.D.	H-700448
Guo-Long Hung, M.D.	H-700449
Heshmat Cook, M.D.	H-700450
Jack E. Sinder, M.D.	H-700452
Jennifer Anger, M.D.	H-700945
John Hsu, M.D.	H-700455
John P. Stein, M.D.	H-700666
Jose Pantoja, M.D.	H-700456
Karen D. Altman, M.D.	H-700457
Kok W. Lee, M.D.	H-700459
Kevin K. Shamlou, M.D., Inc.	H-700458
Leslie K. Shokes, M.D.	H-700460
Marcus Quek, M.D.	H-700462
Mark Borgini, M.D.	H-700463
Matthew D. Dunn, M.D.	H-700512
Mohsin Ali, M.D.	H-700514
Nancy F. Sand, M.D.	H-701035
Owen E. Heninger, M.D.	H-700727
Ramin Hazany, M.D.	H-700517
Richard M. Effros, M.D.	H-701018
Robert M. Zeit, M.D.	H-700518
Ruth Topacio, M.D.	H-700519
Samuel Rosenfeld, M.D.	H-700520
Sohail Saeed, M.D.	H-700521
Sophia Chun, M.D.	H-700739

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Providers at Rancho Los Amigos

Contract Number

Stephen T. Chen, M.D.	H-701034
Stephen L. Rothman, M.D.	H-700522
Tiffany Rogers, M.D.	H-700536
USC Surgeons, Inc.	H-700524
Vance Eberly, M.D.	H-700525
Whittier Surgical Associates, Inc.	H-700526

Providers at Olive View-UCLA

Contract Number

Afshin Shabanie, M.D.	H-700698
Alireza Sadoughi, M.D.	H-700391
Andrew H. Shen, M.D.	H-700392
Armand Dorian, M.D.	H-700497
Brian Koos, M.D.	H-700542
Carol Reyes, M.D.	H-700628
Cathleen Kim, M.D.	H-700395
Cecilia M. Jude, M.D.	H-700877
Cynthia Ushiyama, M.D.	H-700397
Dale J. Gierthy, M.D.	H-700849
Denise Andrews-Tang, M.D.	H-700399
Eric Cheng, M.D.	H-700529
Fuad Rafidi, M.D.	H-700400
Gasser M. Hathout, M.D.	H-700878
Haleh Ahdoot, M.D.	H-700401
Hamid Nourmand, M.D.	H-700544
Hsin-Yi Lee, M.D.	H-701021
Jeanie Woo, M.D.	H-701063
Jerry Cheng, M.D.	H-700993
Joanne Macayran, M.D.	H-700372
Jose M Amador, M.D.	H-700926
Josif Borovic, M.D.	H-700530
Kayur Shah, M.D.	H-700531
Keri Gardner, M.D.	H-700403
Khalil Tabsh, M.D.	H-700581
Laleh K. Lourie, M.D.	H-701064
Laura Alexander, M.D.	H-700629
Marie McCombs, M.D.	H-700404
Mark J. Richman, M.D.	H-700405

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Providers at Olive View-UCLA

Contract Number

Reb J. H. Close, M.D	H-700498
Ronen Alon, M.D.	H-700406
Scott Bisheff, M.D.	H-700499
Sheryl L. North, M.D.	H-701067
Uday Devgan, M.D.	H-700411
Victor Xia, M.D.	H-700412
Wendy W. Lin, M.D.	H-700500
William Tully, M.D.	H-700413
Yale Doberne, M.D.	H-700414
Zahi Nassoura, M.D.	H-700546

Providers at King/Drew

Contract Number

Alpa S. Patel, M.D.	H-700951
Ann Connor, M.D., Inc.	H-700305
Ardavan Ashar, M.D.	H-700960
Fortino Castaneda, M.D.	H-700925
Francis L. Yemofio, M.D.	H-700309
Francisco Castillo, M.D.	H-700928
Gail A. Nalls, M.D.	H-701023
Jafar Daryabagi, M.D.	H-700577
James McPherson, M.D.	H-700311
Jose Tandoc, M.D.	H-700946
Kevin Hirsch, M.D.	H-701016
Mark Esensten, M.D.	H-701017
Mark Wittman, M.D., Inc.	H-700992
Maurice Hale, M.D.	H-700963
Ronald E. Jefferson, M.D.	H-700313
Sushil K. Ojha, M.D.	H-700669
Thanh G. Phung, M.D.	H-701024
The Regents of the Univ. of Calif.	H-700990
Timothy Van Scott, M.D.	H-700959
Una Morris, M.D.	H-701040
Walter Maynard, M.D.	H-700927
William Weathers, M.D.	H-700999
Yadavinder Pal Dang, M.D.	H-700991



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Providers at Harbor-UCLA

Contract Number

Adull M. Alaama, M.D.	H-701037
Amandeep K. Sahota, M.D.	H-701123
Daniel Schimmel, M.D.	H-700381
David Shavelle, M.D.	H-700857
Deborah McCurdy, M.D.	H-700432
Mark D. Plunkett, M.D. (UCLA Surg.)	H-700549
Paul P. Lee, M.D.	H-700386
Richard Effros, M.D.	H-701014
Robert M. Webman, M.D.	H-700387
Ronald L. Becker, M.D.	H-700388

Providers at Roybal CHC

Contract Number

Kusum L. Chaudry, M.D.	H-700429
Malini Shah, M.D.	H-700934
Shishir K. Shah, M.D.	H-700430

Providers at Hudson CHC

Contract Number

Ali Amirzadeh, M.D.	H-701174
Hetal R. Bhakta, M.D.	H-700584
Hung T. Nguyen, M.D.	H-700554
John Momjian, M.D.	H-700555
Leonard Kaufman, M.D.	H-700929
Michael P. Soles, M.D.	H-700495
San San Wai, M.D.	H-700496

Provider at LAC+USC MC

Contract Number

Leslie Carmichael, D.O.	H-701015
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**PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT CONTRACTS  
(NEW AGREEMENTS)**

<u>Providers</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Facility</u>
Suzanne Quardt, M.D.	NEW	Rancho Los Amigos
Brent Gordon, M.D.	NEW	Olive View-UCLA
Noah Federman, M.D.	NEW	Olive View-UCLA
Amiram Shneiderman, M.D.	73437-S-1	King-Drew
Arlene Klink, M.D.	H-700578	King-Drew
Daniel Kahsai, M.D.	73444-S-1	King-Drew
Dilip Patel, M.D.	H-700308	King-Drew
Gary Godorov, M.D.	NEW	King-Drew
John A. Kare, M.D.	73441-S-1	King-Drew
Moustafa Moustafa, M.D.	73430-S-1	King-Drew
Patrick Aguilera, M.D.	73434-S-1	King-Drew
Sirichai Chayasirisobhon, M.D.	NEW	King-Drew
Kimberly Vogt, M.D.	NEW	Harbor-UCLA

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**PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES  
(PHYSICIAN REGISTRY SERVICES AGREEMENT)  
(TO BE SUPERSEDED)**

<u>Provider</u>	<u>Contract Number</u>
Reliable Health Care Services	H-700281

RATES OF PAYMENT:

<u>Services:</u>	<u>Rates*</u>
Physician Specialist (Licensed Physician specializing in Cardiology or Oncology)	\$1,200 per eight-hour day**; or  \$125 per hour*** which rate is to be paid only in the event that the Physician Specialist is needed for fewer than eight hours in any one day; or  \$200 per procedure.
Physician Specialist (Licensed Physician specializing in Radiology)	\$1,800 per eight hour day**; or  \$225 per hour*** which rate is to be paid only in the event that the Physician Specialist is needed for fewer than eight hours in any one day.

- \* Mealtime and break periods are not compensable for purposes of determining time reimbursable under this rate schedule.
- \*\* If services are paid on an hourly basis, payment for any period less than an hour shall be prorated.
- \*\*\* No Physician Specialist is to work more than eight (8) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period.

EXHIBIT I  
Contract # \_\_\_\_\_  
(All Facilities)

FULL-TIME (PROPOSITION A) PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY  
MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_,

by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
(hereafter "County"),  
and \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code,  
Sections 1441 and 1445, County has established and operates,  
through its Department of Health Services, various County  
hospitals, comprehensive health centers and health centers,  
including \_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter  
"Medical Facility"); and

WHEREAS, a large number of physician specialty medical  
services must be available to meet the needs of sick or injured  
County patients requiring treatment at Medical Facilities; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that it has insufficient  
physician staff to provide all of the necessary specialty medical  
services required for its patients; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 44.7 of the Los Angeles County  
Charter as implemented by Los Angeles County Code Section  
2.121.250 et seq., County is authorized to contract with private

businesses to perform personal services when it is more economical or feasible to do so; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has been selected by the Department of Health Services in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Supervisors to fill a critically needed specialty position at Medical Facility (applicable only to new agreements with physician contractors which start on or after July 1, 2004); and

WHEREAS, Contractor either is (if not incorporated), or has (if incorporated) as its principal officer, a physician duly licensed and certified under the laws of the State of California to engage in the practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is either Board certified in his or her specialty(ies) or is eligible to take the examination to become Board certified in his or her specialty(ies); and

WHEREAS, Contractor has applied for and been granted membership in Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association and clinical privileges in accordance with such Association's bylaws; and

WHEREAS, County is authorized by California Government Code Sections 26227 and 31000, and by California Health and Safety Code Sections 1441, 1445, and 1451 to contract for the medical services described hereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. TERM AND TERMINATION:

A. The term of this Agreement shall commence on \_\_\_\_\_, and shall continue in full force and effect to and including June 30, 2009. In any event, either party may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any reason, with or without cause, by providing at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice thereof to the other party.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, County's Director of Health Services or his or her authorized designee (collectively hereafter "Director") may find Contractor out of compliance with this Agreement and immediately terminate this Agreement if Contractor has demonstrated a consistent failure to adhere to Medical Facility's policies, procedures, and contractual requirements, as outlined in this Agreement and in the Department of Health Services' and Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association bylaws, rules, and policy manuals.

C. County may suspend or terminate this Agreement immediately if Contractor's license to practice medicine is suspended or revoked by the State of California (Medical Board of California or California Board of Osteopathy, as appropriate).

D. County's failure to exercise any right of termination under this Paragraph shall not constitute waiver of such right and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

E. Director is authorized to execute any necessary or required suspension(s) or termination(s) pursuant to this Paragraph on behalf of County.

F. In conjunction with any suspension or termination of Agreement by County, Contractor understands and acknowledges that she/he shall have no right to any County administrative hearing or other County due process right under Medical Facility's bylaws or other County administrative forum to challenge or appeal such suspension or termination.

G. Unless earlier cancelled or terminated, this Agreement shall concurrently terminate on the date that County either (1) transfers the management and operation of Medical Facility, by sale or management contract (e.g., lease of Medical Facility), to a third party, or (2) closes Medical Facility.

2. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION OF COUNTY: During the term of this Agreement, the maximum obligation of County for all services provided hereunder shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_)

as follows:

A. During the period date of \_\_\_\_\_ through June 30, 2006, the maximum obligation of County for all services provided during this period shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

B. During the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

C. During the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_); and,

D. During the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_).

3. PRIOR AGREEMENT SUPERSEDED: Effective date of execution by County's Board of Supervisors, this Agreement shall replace and supersede Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ and any and all Amendments thereto.

4. ADMINISTRATION: Director is authorized to administer this Agreement on behalf of County.

5. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Contractor shall provide medical services as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT: Contractor shall bill County in accordance with the payment procedures set forth in Exhibit "A".



7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees or agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally required employee benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State and local taxes, or other compensation or benefits to any employees provided by Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor and all persons furnishing services to County on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole responsibility of Contractor and not the responsibility of County. Contractor shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for any and all workers' compensation benefits to Contractor and any person as a result of injuries arising from or connected

with services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

8. COUNTY PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION:

A. County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (for purposes of this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from liability, expense and claims for damages resulting from or related to a medical incident arising out of the provision of contract services hereunder. For purposes of this Agreement, a medical incident shall mean any act or omission in the rendering of, or failure to render, medical services, or treatment to County patients by Contractor, at County's Medical Facility, in the performance of Contractor's professional obligations under this Agreement.

B. County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall only apply to payments of settlements, judgements, and awards to third parties, including legal defense expenses. County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall further only arise if Contractor's liability is to a County patient or the patient's representative, and the patient, at the time of the medical incident, was assigned to the care of Contractor. To the extent that County is obligated to provide an indemnification program hereunder, County will

also provide claims administration and legal defense on behalf of Contractor.

C. Contractor shall give prompt telephonic notice (within twenty-four [24] hours) to Medical Facility's Risk Manager of any incident, action, or claim to which this indemnification applies and shall cooperate fully with County and its claims representatives in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim. Such telephonic notice shall be immediately followed by written notice to Medical Facility's Risk Manager. Such written notice shall include all of the information listed in County's Risk Management form. Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of said County Risk Management form.

D. County reserves the right to investigate any incident, action, or claim. In such event, Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the medical records and reports pertaining to the services provided to any County patient involved in such incident, action, or claim. Contractor shall also allow County representatives access to its employees and agents, if any, who provided services to the County patients involved in such incident, action, or claim.

County's agents, as designated by Director, will consult with Contractor regarding the disposition of any action or claim hereunder. However, County reserves the right to determine the final disposition of any action or claim. In the event Contractor does not agree with County's agents in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim, Contractor may pursue defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim independently and County's indemnification obligation with respect to such action or claim shall immediately terminate. In such event, County shall have no financial obligation on behalf of Contractor for liability, expenses, including legal defense fees and expenses, or payments of settlements, judgements, awards, or damages arising out of the medical incident.

E. County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor where Contractor failed to provide County with prompt telephonic and written notice of such incident, action, or claim, as specified in Subparagraph 6.C. above, or if Contractor has failed to fully and reasonably cooperate with County and its agents in the defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim.

In addition, County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor by patients or their legal representatives, other than those covered specifically by this Agreement. Moreover, this indemnification shall not cover Contractor's damages or expenses arising out of Contractor's willful or criminal misconduct, nor shall it cover the award of any punitive damages.

F. The provisions of this Paragraph shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement for actions or claims against Contractor.

9. COUNTY GENERAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION: As part of County's consideration under this Agreement, County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (in this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from general liability, expense, and claims for damages of third parties resulting from or directly related to the provision of services at County's Medical Facility to County patients under this Agreement, except that this indemnification shall not extend to Contractor's willful or criminal misconduct or to any Contractor actions which result in the imposition of punitive damages. Nor shall this indemnification cover claims or actions against Contractor

arising from Contractor's or his or her employees' negligent use of an automobile or other motor vehicle.

10. CONTRACTOR INDEMNIFICATION: With the exception of the professional liability indemnification and the general liability indemnification provided by County, as stated above, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

11. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Without limiting County's indemnification of Contractor, and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

A. Evidence of Insurance: Certification(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be delivered to the parties and locations as listed in Paragraph 12, NOTICES, Subparagraph A, Sub-sub paragraphs

(1) and (2), prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

(1) Specifically identify this Agreement.

(2) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.

(3) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.

(4) Pursuant to Paragraph 10, INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS, include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Agreement.

(5) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expense or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be

executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

B. Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

C. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

D. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(1) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such



report shall be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence.

(2) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(3) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-Employee Injury Report" to County contract manager.

(4) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

E. Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(1) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractors, or

(2) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

12. INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Liability Insurance. If Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor also shall maintain general liability insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 Million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 Million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 Million

B. Automobile Liability Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$300,000 for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

C. Professional Liability Insurance: Consistent with Medical Facility's Professional Staff Associations' Bylaws governing physician services provided under community hospital status, if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and admits and treats his or her private patients at Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor shall provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of Contractor, its officers or employees, with limits of not less than \$1 Million per occurrence and \$3 Million aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

If Contractor does not maintain a private medical practice and does not admit or treat private patients at County's Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice, but does not treat County patients at Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor need not provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance to cover services provided under this Agreement.

D. Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability

Insurance: If Contractor utilizes any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder, as set forth in Exhibit "A", Paragraph 4, then Contractor shall provide workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:	\$1 Million
Disease - Policy Limit:	\$1 Million
Disease - Each Employee:	\$1 Million

13. COMPLIANCE WITH LIVING WAGE PROGRAM:

A. Living Wage Program: This Agreement is subject to the provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Living Wage Program ("Program") as codified in sections 2.201.010 through 2.201.100 of the Los Angeles County Code, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated by reference into and made a part of Agreement.

B. Payment of Living Wage Rates:

(1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to the County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not an "Employer" as defined under the Program (section 2.201.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exemption to the Program (section 2.201.090 of the County Code), Contractor shall pay its Employees no less than the applicable hourly living wage rate, as set forth immediately below, for the Employees' services provided to the County under Agreement:

a. Not less than \$9.46 per hour, if, in addition to the per-hour wage, Contractor contributes less than \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits for its Employees and any dependents; or

b. Not less than \$8.32 per hour if, in addition to the per-hour wage, Contractor contributes at least \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits for its Employees and any dependents. Contractor will be deemed to have contributed \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits if the benefits are provided

through the County Department of Health Services Community Health Plan. If, at any time during Agreement, Contractor contributes less than \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits, Contractor shall be required to pay its Employees the higher hourly living wage rate listed above.

(2) For purposes of this Section, "Contractor" includes any subcontractor engaged by Contractor to perform services for the County under Agreement. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for the County under the Contract, the subcontractor shall be subject to the provisions of this Section. The provisions of this Section shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Program shall be attached to the agreement. "Employee" means any individual who is an employee of Contractor under the laws of California, and who is providing full-time services to Contractor, some or all of which are provided to the County under Agreement. "Full-time" means a minimum of forty (40) hours worked per week, or a lesser number of hours, if the lesser number is a recognized industry standard and is approved as such

by the County; however, fewer than thirty-five (35) hours worked per week will not, in any event, be considered full-time.

(3) If Contractor is required to pay a living wage when Agreement commences, Contractor shall continue to pay a living wage for the entire term of Agreement, including any option period.

(4) If Contractor is not required to pay a living wage when Agreement commences, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exemption status" from the living wage requirement, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Program's definition of "Employer" or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exemption to the Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately be required to commence paying the living wage and shall be obligated to pay the living wage for the remaining term of Agreement, including any option period. County may also require, at any time during the Agreement and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Program's

definition of "Employer" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Program. Unless Contractor satisfies this requirement within the time frame permitted by the County, Contractor shall immediately be required to pay the living wage for the remaining term of Agreement, including any option period.

C. Contractor's Submittal of Certified Monitoring Reports: Contractor shall submit to County certified monitoring reports at a frequency instructed by County. The certified monitoring reports shall list all of Contractor's Employees during the reporting period. The certified monitoring reports shall also verify the number of hours worked, the hourly wage rate paid, and the amount paid by Contractor for health benefits, if any, for each of its Employees. The certified monitoring reports shall also state the name and identification number of Contractor's current health care benefits plan, and Contractor's portion of the premiums paid as well as the portion paid by each Employee. All certified monitoring reports shall be submitted on forms provided by County, or any other form approved by County which contains the above information. County reserves the right to request any additional



information it may deem necessary. If County requests additional information, Contractor shall promptly provide such information. Contractor, through one of its officers, shall certify under penalty of perjury that the information contained in each certified monitoring report is true and accurate.

D. County Auditing of Contractor Records: Upon a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours' written notice, County may audit, at Contractor's place of business, any of Contractor's records pertaining to Agreement, including all documents and information relating to the certified monitoring reports. Contractor is required to maintain all such records in California until the expiration of four (4) years from the date of final payment under Agreement. Authorized agents of County shall have access to all such records during normal business hours for the entire period that records are to be maintained.

E. Notification to Employees: Contractor shall place County-provided living wage posters at each of Contractor's places of business and all locations where Contractor's Employees are performing services for the County. Contractor shall also distribute County-provided notices to each of its Employees at least once

per year. Contractor shall translate the posters and handouts into Spanish and any other language spoken by a significant number of its Employees.

F. Enforcement and Remedies: If Contractor fails to comply with the requirements of this Section, County shall have the rights and remedies described in this Section in addition to any rights and remedies provided by law or equity.

(1) Remedies For Submission of Late or Incomplete Certified Monitoring Reports: If Contractor submits a certified monitoring report to County after the date it is due or if the report submitted does not contain all of the required information or is inaccurate or is not properly certified, any such deficiency shall constitute a breach of Agreement. In the event of any such breach, County may, in its sole discretion, exercise any or all of the following rights/remedies:

a. Withholding of Payment. If Contractor fails to submit accurate, complete, timely, and properly certified monitoring reports, County may withhold from payment to Contractor up to the full amount of any invoice that would otherwise be due, until Contractor has satisfied

the concerns of the County, which may include required submittal of revised certified monitoring reports or additional supporting documentation.

b. Liquidated Damages. It is mutually understood and agreed that Contractor's failure to submit an accurate, complete, timely and properly certified monitoring report will result in damages being sustained by County. It is also understood and agreed that the nature and amount of the damages will be extremely difficult and impractical to fix; that the liquidated damages set forth herein are the nearest and most exact measure of damages for such breach that can be fixed at this time; and that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty or forfeiture for Contractor's breach. Therefore, in the event that a certified monitoring report is deficient, including but not limited to being late, inaccurate, incomplete or uncertified, it is agreed that County may, in its sole discretion, assess against Contractor liquidated damages in the amount of \$100 per monitoring report for each

day until County has been provided with a properly prepared, complete and certified monitoring report. County may deduct any assessed liquidated damages from any payments otherwise due Contractor.

c. Termination. Contractor's continued failure to submit accurate, complete, timely and properly certified monitoring reports may constitute a material breach of Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate the Contract.

(2) Remedies for Payment of Less Than the Required Living Wage: If Contractor fails to pay any Employee at least the applicable hourly living wage rate, such deficiency shall constitute a breach of Agreement. In the event of any such breach, County may, in its sole discretion, exercise any or all of the following rights/remedies:

a. Withholding Payment. If Contractor fails to pay one or more of its Employees at least the applicable hourly living wage rate, County may withhold from any payment otherwise due Contractor the aggregate difference between the living wage amounts Contractor was required

to pay its Employees for a given period and the amount actually paid to the Employees for that pay period. County may withhold said amount until Contractor has satisfied County that any underpayment has been cured, which may include required submittal of revised certified monitoring reports or additional supporting documentation.

b. Liquidated Damages. It is mutually understood and agreed that Contractor's failure to pay any of its Employees at least the applicable hourly living wage rate will result in damages being sustained by County. It is also understood and agreed that the nature and amount of the damages will be extremely difficult and impractical to fix; that the liquidated damages set forth herein are the nearest and most exact measure of damages for such breach that can be fixed at this time; and that the liquidated damages are not intended as a penalty or forfeiture for Contractor's breach. Therefore, it is agreed that County may, in its sole discretion, assess against Contractor liquidated damages for \$50 per Employee per day

for each and every instance of an underpayment to an Employee. County may deduct any assessed liquidated damages from any payments otherwise due Contractor.

c. Termination. Contractor's continued failure to pay any of its Employees the applicable hourly living wage rate may constitute a material breach of Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate Agreement.

(3) Debarment: In the event Contractor breaches a requirement of this Section, County may, in its sole discretion, bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach, not to exceed three (3) years.

G. Use of Full-Time Employees: Contractor shall assign and use full-time Employees of Contractor to provide services under the Agreement, unless Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of County that it is necessary to use non-full-time Employees based on staffing efficiency or County requirements for the work to be performed under Agreement. It is understood and agreed that Contractor shall not, under any

circumstance, use non-full-time Employees for services provided under Agreement unless and until County has provided written authorization for the use of same. If required by County, Contractor has submitted or will submit a full-time-Employee staffing plan. If Contractor changes its full-time-Employee staffing plan, Contractor shall immediately provide a copy of the new staffing plan to County.

H. Contractor Retaliation Prohibited: Contractor and/or its Employees, shall not take any adverse action which would result in the loss of any benefit of employment, any contract benefit, or any statutory benefit for any Employee, person, or entity who has reported a violation of the Program to the County or to any other public or private agency, entity, or person. A violation of the provisions of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of Agreement. In the event of such material breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate Agreement.

I. Contractor Standards: During the term of Agreement, Contractor shall maintain business stability, integrity in Employee relations, and the financial ability to pay a living wage to its Employees. If requested to do so by County, Contractor shall

demonstrate to the satisfaction of County that Contractor is complying with this requirement.

J. Employee Retention Rights: (Note: this Paragraph applies only if the Agreement involves the provision of services that were previously provided by a contractor under a predecessor Proposition A agreement or by a predecessor cafeteria services contract, which predecessor agreement was terminated by County prior to its expiration.)

(1) Contractor shall offer employment to all retention employees who are qualified for such jobs.

A "retention employee" is an individual:

a. Who is not an exempt employee under the minimum wage and maximum hour exemptions defined in the federal Fair Labor Standards Act; and

b. Who has been employed by a contractor under a predecessor Proposition "A" contract or a predecessor cafeteria services contract with the County for at least six (6) months prior to the date of this Agreement, which predecessor contract was terminated by the County prior to its expiration; and



c. Who is or will be terminated from his or her employment as a result of the County entering into this new Agreement.

(2) Contractor is not required to hire a retention Employee who:

a. Has been convicted of a crime related to the job or his or her performance; or

b. Fails to meet any other County requirement for employees of a contractor.

(3) Contractor shall not terminate a retention employee for the first ninety (90) days of employment under Agreement, except for cause. Thereafter, Contractor may retain a retention employee on the same terms and conditions as Contractor's other Employees.

K. Neutrality in Labor Relations: Contractor shall not use any consideration received under Agreement to hinder, or to further, organization of, or collective bargaining activities by or on behalf of Contractor's employees, except that this restriction shall not apply to any expenditure made in the course of good faith collective bargaining, or to any expenditure pursuant to obligations incurred under a bona fide collective bargaining agreement, or which would otherwise be

permitted under the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act.

14. NOTICES: Any and all notices required, permitted, or desired to be given hereunder by one party to the other shall be in writing and may either be delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the parties named. Director is authorized to issue all notices which are required or permitted by County hereunder. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten (10) calendar days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

A. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Office of the Administrator

(2) Department of Health Services  
Contracts and Grants Division  
313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor-East  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attention: Division Chief

B. Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



attested by the Executive Officer thereof, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS,  
Executive Officer Board  
of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

By \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COUNTY COUNSEL

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Chief, Contracts and Grants  
Division

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(All Facilities: On-Site Only)

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

FULL-TIME (PROPOSITION A) PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES

1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED: Contractor is a physician, duly licensed to practice medicine in the State of California, Board certified or Board eligible, in her/his specialty and has applied for and been granted medical staff privileges at the following Medical Facility, \_\_\_\_\_ . Contractor shall at all times meet the minimum professional qualifications defined in this Agreement.

For purposes of this Agreement, "County patients" are defined as those patients at Medical Facility who are designated as County patients by the County Medical Facility's Medical Director or his authorized designee (hereafter collectively "Medical Director"), who are inpatients or outpatients, and who are not admitted or treated by medical staff members as private patients under such Medical Facility's community hospital status.

Contractor's services shall be performed only for County patients, as defined above, and shall be under the administrative and professional direction of Medical Director. Medical Facility shall retain professional and administrative responsibility for the services provided under this Agreement. Such services include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:

A. \_\_\_\_\_ and related services at times and on dates scheduled in writing by Medical Director. Medical Director may schedule Contractor to work up to sixteen (16) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period. In no event is Contractor to be used or scheduled for on-call status. Medical Facility shall maintain such schedules throughout the Agreement term and for a period of five years thereafter for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Consultation services to Medical Facility medical departments, other than department of primary assignment, concerning County patients, upon request of Medical Director.

C. Surgical services and appropriate pre-operative medical services (where applicable to Contractor's medical specialty) at Medical Facility, upon request of Medical Director.

D. Emergency medical services at Medical Facility, including weekends and holidays, upon request of Medical Director.

E. Upon prior, written approval of Medical Director, administrative services, as requested by Medical Director, to include, but not be limited to:

(1) Participating on Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Committees;

(2) Participating on Medical Facility's medical staff committees;

(3) Participating in Medical Facility's licensure and Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organization ("JCAHO") reviews;

(4) Participating in Medical Facility's planning and equipment planning activities; and,

(5) Developing internal policies and procedures.

F. Such other medical services at Medical Facility as may be requested by Medical Director in writing, consistent with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

2. CONTRACTOR'S PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Licenses: All physicians providing services at Medical Facility must be appropriately licensed by the State of California and each must carry her/his current State license (not a copy) while on County premises.

Prior to the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide Medical Director with a copy of all current licenses, credentials, or certifications required by law for the provision of services hereunder.

B. Board Certification: During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall continuously have and maintain

board certification or board eligibility in her/his specialty(ies) for which he or she has contracted to provide hereunder.

C. Credentialing Requirements: Contractor must meet the credentialing criteria set forth by Medical Facility prior to providing services under this Agreement. Among other things, Medical Director shall verify the current status of Contractor's licenses, medical clearance(s) (in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations requirements), credentials, certifications, and claims history. Medical Director shall also query the National Data Bank and the State Medical Board about Contractor's background. Medical Director shall discontinue Contractor's services immediately if Contractor either does not meet Medical Facility's credentialing criteria, or Contractor's licenses, credentials, or certifications are not current, or both.

In the event Medical Facility inadvertently utilizes Contractor's services absent the appropriate licenses, credentials, or certifications, Medical Facility shall have no obligation to pay Contractor for services to patients hereunder.

D. Bloodborne Pathogens: Contractor must read and sign a statement that she/he has read the Occupational Safety and



Health Agency ("OSHA") Bloodborne Pathogens Information packet prior to providing services under this Agreement. Medical Director shall retain such statement in Contractor's credentialing files.

Failure to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph, as determined by a Medical Facility audit/ compliance review, shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which Director may immediately terminate this Agreement.

E. Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations Standards: Throughout the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall be in conformance with the applicable continuing education requirements established by JCAHO or the State Medical Board or both.

3. STANDARDS OF CARE:

A. All specialty medical services provided hereunder shall be performed in accordance with all applicable and accepted professional and ethical standards of the medical profession and shall be in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, and directives, as well as with all applicable regulations, policies, procedures, rules, and directives of Medical Facility, and of its professional staff association.

B. County has established a Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee, composed of County employees appointed by Director to review the services contemplated by this Agreement and to assure a standard of care by Contractor and others which is consistent with the laws of the State and Federal governments, with County's Quality Assessment and Improvement standards, and with the prevailing standards of medical practice in the community. Contractor agrees to adhere to the standards thereby established and to fully cooperate in any review of patient care by County's Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee representatives at Medical Facility.

4. USE OF EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS: Contractor shall not utilize any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder without obtaining the prior written approval of Medical Director and without otherwise satisfying all other delegation and subcontracting requirements of Agreement. No such employee or agent shall provide services on County premises unless he or she has satisfied all applicable physical examination and immunization requirements of Title 22, California Code of Regulations.

In any event, Contractor shall immediately remove any Contractor employee or agent from the provision of such services at Medical Facility upon receipt of oral or written notice from

Medical Director that the actions of such employee or agent may adversely affect the delivery of health care services.

Regardless of Contractor's use of any employee or agent hereunder, County shall only be obligated to pay for Contractor's personal services hereunder.

5. COMPENSATION:

A. County shall compensate Contractor for his or her on-site professional services performed at Medical Facility on an hourly basis as follows: \_\_\_\_\_.

If Contractor performs services for less than one hour, payment for that hour shall be reduced by prorating to the number of minutes in the hour worked.

Medical Director shall assure that such medical services were indeed provided and that Medical Facility maintains appropriate time records to reflect the provision of same.

B. In the event this Agreement is suspended, canceled, or terminated, County's payment obligation above shall cease as of the date of such suspension, cancellation, or termination.

C. Contractor shall pay the wages of his or her employees or agents who may render services hereunder as well as be responsible for all employment obligations and benefits for each employee, including, but not limited to,

Federal and State withholding taxes, Social Security taxes, Unemployment Insurance and Disability payments.

D. Contractor agrees that should it perform services not requested and specified in Paragraph 1 above, such services shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of Contractor and Contractor shall have no claim against County for such services.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT:

A. Contractor shall bill County monthly, in arrears, in accordance with the terms, conditions and rates set forth above. All billings shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable detail of the services for which claim is made, including, but not limited to, type of services provided (e.g., critical care, neonatal care, administrative, etc.), the date and hours worked, and the applicable hourly rate.

B. Billings shall be made in duplicate and forwarded to the Medical Facility and to the attention of the Expenditure Management Division promptly at the end of each month. Upon receipt of a complete and correct billing, County shall pay Contractor within thirty (30) working days. Incorrect and/or discrepant billings, as determined by County, will be returned to Contractor for correction before payment is made.

C. Contractor shall not bill any County patient or third-party for services provided under this Agreement; nor shall Contractor accept or receive any cash payment or other compensation from or on behalf of any such patient or third party for such services. Should any such payment be received, Contractor shall immediately notify Medical Facility Administrator of that fact in writing.

D. Contractor shall fully cooperate with Medical Facility staff, and the staff of the County's Treasurer-Tax Collector or any County billing and collection contractor, in billing third-party payers and patients for care provided by Contractor hereunder.

7. PARKING SPACE: When providing services hereunder at Medical Facility, parking for Contractor's vehicle will be made available by Medical Director to Contractor.

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EXHIBIT B

LIVING WAGE PROGRAM ORDINANCE

Title 2 ADMINISTRATION

Chapter 2.201 LIVING WAGE PROGRAM

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The Board of Supervisors finds that the County of Los Angeles is the principal provider of social and health services within the County, especially to persons who are compelled to turn to the County for such services. Employers' failure to pay less than a living wage to their employees causes them to use such services thereby placing an additional burden on the County of Los Angeles. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999).

## 2.201.020 Definitions

The general definitions contained in Chapter 2.02 shall be applicable to this chapter unless inconsistent with the following definitions.

- A. "County" includes the County of Los Angeles, any County officer or body, any County Department head, and any County employee authorized to enter into a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract with an employer.
- B. "Employee" means any individual who is an employee of an employer under the laws of California, and who is providing full time services to an employer, some or all of which are provided to the county of Los Angeles under a Proposition A contract, or under a cafeteria services contract at a County of Los Angeles owned or leased facility.
- C. "Employer" means:
  - 1. An individual or entity who has a contract with the County.
    - a. For services which si required to be more economical or feasible under Section 44.7 of the Charter of the County of Los Angeles, and is not listed as an excluded contract in Section 2.121.250 B of the Los Angeles County Code, referred to in this chapter as a "Proposition A contract," or

- b. For cafeteria services, referred to in this chapter as a "cafeteria services contract," and
  - c. Who has received or will receive an aggregate sum of \$25,000.00 or more in any 12 month period under one or more Proposition A contracts and/or one or more cafeteria services contracts; or
2. An individual or entity that enters into a subcontract with an employer, as defined in subsection C1 and who employs employees to provide services under the employer's contact with the County.
- D. "Full Time" means a minimum 40 hours worked per week, or a lesser number of hours of the lesser number is a recognized industry standard and is approved as such by the chief administrative officer, but in no event less than 35 hours worked per week. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999.)

#### 2.201.030 Prospective effect

This chapter shall be applicable to Proposition A contracts and cafeteria services contracts and their amendments the terms of which commence three months or more after the effective date of this chapter. \*It shall not be applicable to Proposition A contracts or cafeteria services contracts or their amendments in effect before this chapter becomes applicable. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1



(part), 1999.) \*Editor's note: Ordinance 99-0048, which enacted Ch. 2.201, is effective on July 22, 1999.

2.201.040 Payment of Living Wage

- A. Employers shall pay employees a living wage for their services provided to the County of no less than the hourly rates set under this chapter. The rates shall be \$8.32 per hour with health benefits, or \$9.46 per hour without health benefits.
- B. To qualify for the living wage rate with health benefits, an employer shall pay at least \$1.14 per hour towards the provision of bona fide health care benefits for each employee and any dependents during the term of a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract. Proof of the provision of such benefits must be submitted to the county for evaluation during the procurement process to qualify for the lower living wage rate in subsection A of this section. Employers who provide health care benefits to employees through the County Department of Health Services Community Health Plan are deemed to have qualified for the lower living wage rate in subsection A of this section.
- C. The Board of Supervisors may, from time to time, adjust the amounts specified in subsection A and B of this section, above for future contracts. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999.)

#### 2.201.050 Other provisions

- A. Full Time Employees. An employer shall assign and use full time employees to provide services under a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract, unless the employer can demonstrate to the County the necessity to use non-full time employees based on staffing efficiency or the County requirements of an individual job.
- B. Neutrality in Labor Relations. An employer shall not use any consideration received under a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract to hinder, or to further, organization of, or collective bargaining activities by or on behalf of an employer's employees, except that this restriction shall not apply to any expenditure made in the course of good faith collective bargaining, or to any expenditure pursuant to obligations incurred under a bona fide collective bargaining agreement, or which would otherwise be permitted under the provisions of the National Labor Relations Act.
- C. Administration. The Chief Administrative Officer shall be responsible for the administration of this chapter. The Chief Administrative Officer, may, with the advice of County Counsel, issue interpretations of the provision of this chapter. The Chief Administrative Officer in conjunction with the affirmative action compliance officer shall issue

written instructions on the implementation and on-going administration of this chapter. Such instructions may provide for the delegation of functions to other County departments.

- D. Compliance Certification. An employer shall, during the term of a Proposition A contract, or a cafeteria services contract, report for each employee and certify the hours worked, wages paid, and amounts the employer paid for health benefits, and provide other information deemed relevant to the enforcement of this chapter by the county. Such reports shall be made at the times and in the manner set forth in instructions issued by the Chief Administrative Officer in conjunction with the Affirmative Action Compliance Officer. The Affirmative Action Compliance Officer in conjunction with the Chief Administrative Officer shall report annually to the Board of Supervisors on Contractor compliance with the provisions of this Chapter.
- E. Contractor Standards. An employer shall demonstrate during the procurement process and for the duration of a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract a history of business stability integrity in employee relations, and the financial ability to pay a living wage (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part)).

#### 2.201.060 Employer Retaliation Prohibited

No employer shall take an adverse action causing a loss of any benefit of employment, of any contract benefit, or any statutory benefit to any employee, person, or other entity, who has reported a violation of this chapter to the Board of Supervisors or to one or more of their offices, to the County Chief Administrative Officer, or to the County Auditor Controller, or to the County department administering the Proposition A contract or cafeteria services contract. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part) 1999.)

#### 2.201.070 Employee retention rights

In the event that any Proposition A contract or cafeteria service contract is terminated by the County prior to its expiration, any new contract with a subsequent employer for such services shall provide for the employment of the predecessor employer's employees as provided in this section.

A. A "retention employee" is an employee of a predecessor employer.

1. Who is not an exempt employee under the minimum wage and maximum hour exemptions defined in the federal Fair Labor Standards Act.
2. Who has been employed by an employer under a predecessor Proposition A contract or a predecessor cafeteria

services contract for at least six months prior to the date of a new contract, and

3. Who is or will be terminated from his or her employment as a result of the County entering into a new contract.
- B. Subsequent employers shall offer employment to all retention employees who are qualified for such jobs.
- C. A subsequent employer is not required to hire a retention employee who.
1. Has been convicted of a crime related to the job or his or her job performance; or
  2. Fails to meet any other County requirement for employees of a Contractor.
- D. A subsequent employer may not terminate a retention employee for the first 90 days of employment under a new contract, except for cause. Thereafter a subsequent employer may retain a retention employee on the same terms and conditions as the subsequent employer's other employees. (Ord. 99-0048 § (part), 1999.)

#### 2.201.080 Enforcement and remedies

For violation of any of the provisions of this chapter:

- A. An employee may bring an action in the courts of the State of California for damages caused by an employer's violation of this chapter.

B. The County Department head responsible for administering a Proposition A contract or a cafeteria services contract may do one or more of the following in accordance with such instructions as may be issued by the Chief Administrative Officer.

1. Assess liquidated damages as provided in the contract; and/or
2. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors the termination of the contract; and/or
3. Recommend to the Board of Supervisors that an employer be barred from award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the employer's violation of this chapter, not to exceed three years. (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999.)

#### 2.201.090 Exceptions

- A. Other Laws. This chapter shall not be interpreted or applied to any employer or to any employee in a manner inconsistent with United States or California laws.
- B. Collective Bargaining Agreements. Any provision of this chapter shall be superseded by a collective bargaining agreement that expressly so provides.

C. This chapter shall not be applied to any employer which is a nonprofit corporation qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

D. Small Businesses. This chapter shall not be applied to any employer which is business entity organized for profit, including but not limited to any individual, partnership, corporation, joint venture, association or cooperative, which entity:

1. Is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation; and
2. Has 20 or fewer employees during the contract period, including full time and part time employees; and
3. Does not have annual gross revenues in the preceding fiscal year which if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded exceed \$1,000,000.00; or
4. If the business is a technical or professional service, does not have annual gross revenues in the preceding fiscal year which if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded exceed \$2,500,000.00.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than 20 employees, including full time and part time employees, and more than \$1,000,000.00 in annual gross revenues or \$2,500,000.00 in annual gross revenues if a technical or professional service.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of

operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation. (Ord 99-0055 § 1, 1999: Ord 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999.)

#### 2.201.100 Severability

If any provision of this chapter is found invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect (Ord. 99-0048 § 1 (part), 1999.).

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SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

1. RECORDS AND AUDITS:

A. Financial Records: Contractor shall prepare and maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations as they relate to services provided under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete personnel time records and other records of all services provided hereunder. All such records shall include supporting documentation and other information sufficient to fully and accurately reflect Contractor's provision of services hereunder, including, but not limited to, its cost of providing such services and all charges billed to County.

All financial records of Contractor pertaining to this Agreement shall be retained by Contractor for a minimum period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. During such five (5) years, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Southern California and shall be made available during County's normal business hours to representatives of County's Auditor-Controller and the Department of Health Services for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Patient Records: Contractor shall prepare all appropriate medical records for County patients receiving services hereunder. If a County patient receives services from Contractor at Contractor's private office (a possibility for High Desert Hospital patients only), then Contractor shall also maintain such records on any such patient. Such records shall include, but are not limited to, progress notes and records of services provided in sufficient detail to permit the evaluation of services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. All patient records for patients seen in Contractor's office shall be retained by Contractor for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise required under State law. During such five (5) year period, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County and shall be made available upon ten (10) working days prior written notice to authorized representatives of County designated by Director or by County's Auditor-Controller, or both, for purposes of inspection and audit.

C. Knox-Keene Health Care Services Requirements: If Contractor provides medical services hereunder at its private offices, Contractor shall further maintain all

applicable books, documents, and records regarding services rendered to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. This obligation shall not be terminated upon expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Director shall have the right to inspect, at reasonable times upon demand during the term of this Agreement and for five (5) years thereafter, Contractor's books, records, and papers relating to: (1) the provisions of health services at Contractor's office to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan, (2) the costs thereof, (3) co-payments received by Contractor from subscribers or enrollees and, (4) the financial condition of Contractor.

Contractor shall maintain such records and provide such information to the Commissioner of Corporations as may be necessary for compliance with the provisions of the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975 (California Health and Safety Code sections 1340, et seq.) and all rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

D. Federal Access to Records: If, and to the extent that, section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. section 1395(v)(1)(I)] is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of five (5) years following the

furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States, or to any of their duly authorized representatives, the contract, books, documents, and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the cost of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through a subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents, and records of the subcontractor.

E. Audit Report: In the event that an audit is conducted of Contractor by a Federal or State auditor (including audits conducted by the Medicare and Medi-Cal programs, or both), Contractor shall file a copy of each such audit report(s) with County's Auditor-Controller Department within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided for under this Agreement, or under applicable State or Federal regulations. To the

extent permitted by law, County shall maintain the confidentiality of all such audit report(s).

F. Audit/Compliance Review: In the event County representatives conduct an audit/compliance review of Contractor, Contractor shall fully cooperate with County's representatives. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to all financial reports, medical records, and reports pertaining to this Agreement and shall allow photocopies to be made of these documents utilizing Contractor's photocopier, for which County shall reimburse Contractor its customary charge for record copying services, if requested. Director shall provide Contractor with at least ten (10) working days prior written notice of any audit/compliance review.

County may conduct a statistical audit/compliance review of all claims paid by County during a specified period. The sample shall be determined in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. An exit conference shall be held following the performance of any such audit/compliance review at which time the results shall be discussed with Contractor. Contractor shall be provided with a copy of any resultant written evaluation report(s).

Contractor shall have the opportunity to review County's findings for Contractor, and Contractor shall have thirty



(30) calendar days after receipt of County's audit/ compliance review results to provide documentation to the County representatives to resolve audit exceptions. If, at the end of the thirty (30) day period there remain audit exceptions which have not been resolved to the satisfaction of County's representatives, then the exception rate found in the audit or sample results shall be applied to the total County payments made to Contractor for all claims paid during the audit/compliance review period to determine Contractor's liability to County.

G. County Audit Settlements: If, at any time during the term of this Agreement or at any time within five (5) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, authorized representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the services provided to County hereunder and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such services is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then Contractor agrees that the difference shall be either: (1) repaid forthwith by Contractor to County by cash payment, or (2) at Director's option, deducted from any further amount due to Contractor from County. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for services provided hereunder is more than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference

shall be paid forthwith by County to Contractor by cash payment.

H. Failure to Comply: Failure of Contractor to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County shall give Contractor a written "Notice of Material Breach". If such breach has not been cured within ten (10) business days following the giving of such Notice, then County may, at County's sole discretion, immediately terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1, TERM AND TERMINATION, in the body of this Agreement. County's failure to exercise this right of termination shall not constitute waiver of such right, and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

2. CONFIDENTIALITY: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, billings, County records and patient records, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality. Contractor shall inform all its officer, employees, and agents, providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability,

and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by Contractor, its officer, employees, and agents.

County shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability, and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by County, its officers, employees, or agents.

3. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES: Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap, in accordance with requirements of Federal and State law. For the purpose of this Paragraph, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to any person which is different, or is provided in a different manner, or at a different time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirement or

conditions which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap.

4. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:

A. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies are and will be treated equally by it without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

B. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may

hereafter be amended. Such action shall include, but is not limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

C. Contractor shall deal with its subcontractors, bidders or vendors without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, as required by all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

D. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by Director. Prior to any such inspection, Contractor may remove personal employee information from such records which is protected under the privacy laws of the State of California. To the extent any such information may come into the possession of County during such an inspection, County hereby promises to protect same from disclosure to third parties.

E. If County finds that any of the above provisions have been violated, the same shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph.

F. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, County shall, at its option, be entitled to a sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) per violation or group of such violations investigated, pursuant to Civil Code section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

G. The parties understand and agree that the liquidated damages payable pursuant to Subparagraph 4.F. above are meant to compensate County for the costs of each investigation of violation(s) of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, and therefore, the parties

agree that the basis for assessing liquidated damages for purposes of Sub-paragraph 4.F. above shall be the number of investigative reports submitted to Director, provided that no violation may be covered in more than one report.

Director shall use his best efforts to insure that violations will be grouped together whenever possible for purposes of investigation.

5. LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES:

Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law for the operation of its medical practice and for the provision of services pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall ensure that all its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder, obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder. Such licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates shall be made available to Director upon request.

6. RULES AND REGULATIONS: During the time the Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents are at Medical Facility, Contractor and such persons shall be subject to the rules and regulations of Medical Facility. It is the responsibility of Contractor to acquaint itself and such persons who may provide

services hereunder with such rules and regulations. Contractor shall immediately and permanently withdraw any of its officers, employees, or agents from the provision of services hereunder upon receipt of written notice from Director that (a) such officer(s), employee(s), or agent(s) has (have) violated such rules and regulations, or (b) such officer's, employee's, or agent's actions, while on County premises, may harm County patients. Director shall provide Contractor with a written statement of the facts supporting any such violation or action.

7. STAFF PERFORMANCE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE: Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that no employee or physician, including Contractor, will perform services hereunder while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance that might impair her/his physical or mental performance.

8. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE DURING DISASTER OR CIVIL UNREST: Contractor recognizes that health care facilities maintained by County, including shelters and relief facilities operated by County during a disaster, provide care essential to the residents of the communities they serve and that these services are of particular importance at the time of a natural disaster or other similar event, or at the time of riot, insurrection, or civil unrest. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall continue to provide services at Medical Facility



and, if requested to do so by Director, shall also provide services at County-operated shelters and relief facilities, during any natural disaster or other similar event, riot, insurrection or civil unrest, so long as such performance remains physically possible.

Director shall provide Contractor with an explanation of the services and responsibilities required of Contractor in the event of a disaster or civil unrest.

9. UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION: Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder of the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with section 6150) of the California Business and Professions Code (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to ensure that there is no violation of said provisions by its officers, employees, and agents. Contractor agrees that if a patient requests assistance in obtaining the services of any attorney, it will refer the patient to the attorney referral service of those bar associations within Los Angeles County that have such a service.

10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No County officer or employee whose position in County enables him/her to influence the award or the administration of this Agreement or any competing

agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such officer or employee, shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor herein, or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement.

No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to Director. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons involved and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

11. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:

A. Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee,

excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

B. For breach or violation of this warranty, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and, in its sole discretion, to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee.

12. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION:

Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any assignment or delegation which does not have such prior County consent shall be null and void.

13. SUBCONTRACTING:

A. For purposes of this Agreement, subcontracts shall be approved by Director or his/her authorized designee(s). Contractor's request to Director for approval of a subcontract shall include:

(1) Identification of the proposed subcontractor and an explanation of why and how the proposed subcontractor was selected, including a description of Contractor's efforts to obtain competitive bids.

(2) A description of the services to be provided under the subcontract.

(3) The proposed subcontract amount, together with Contractor's cost or price analysis thereof. In the event that the subcontracted services are to be provided to Contractor on either a gratuitous or "pro bono" or "volunteer" basis, Contractor shall state as such.

(4) A copy of the proposed subcontract. Any later modification of such subcontract shall take the form of a formally written subcontract amendment, which must be approved in writing by Director before such amendment is effective.

B. Subcontracts issued pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in writing and shall contain at least the intent of all of the Paragraphs of the body of the Agreement, including the ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS, and the requirements of the exhibit(s), including their attachments.

C. At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the subcontract's proposed effective date, Contractor shall submit for review and approval to Director a copy of the proposed subcontract instrument. With Director's written approval of the subcontract instrument, the subcontract may proceed.

D. Subcontracts shall be made in the name of Contractor and shall not bind County. The making of subcontracts hereunder shall not relieve Contractor of any requirement under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the duty to properly supervise and coordinate the work of subcontractors. Approval of the provisions of any subcontract by County shall not be construed to constitute a determination of the allowability of any cost under this Agreement. In no event shall approval of any subcontract by County be construed as affecting any increase to the amount contained in the MAXIMUM OBLIGATION Paragraph.

E. Failure by Contractor to comply with this Paragraph 35 shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach.

14. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and

all loss, damage, liability, or expense resulting from any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents of such Federal, State, or local laws, ordinances, regulations, or directives.

15. AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor hereby represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation set forth in this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

16. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS: Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

17. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION: Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of aliens and others, and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the

citizenship or alien status requirements contained in Federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of Federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

18. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any federal monies are to be used to pay for Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by section 319, Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds provided under this Agreement also fully comply with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

19. COUNTY LOBBYISTS: Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist

Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any County lobbyist retained by Contractor to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

20. MERGER PROVISION: The body of this Agreement, including all the exhibits and attachments thereto, fully express all understandings of the parties concerning all matters covered and shall constitute the total Agreement. No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement whether by written or verbal understanding of the parties, their officers, agents, or employees, shall be valid unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

21. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Agreement, including any provision in an exhibit, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

22. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION AND DEFAULT:

A. Termination for Improper Consideration: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given



by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of the Agreement, or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

B. Termination for Default: County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:

- (1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to satisfactorily perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or

any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or

(2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five (5) calendar days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.

In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided hereinabove, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may seem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

23. COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: Director will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing

Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which Director determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of this Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the County Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

24. CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through County contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act [42 USC Section 653 (a)] and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.55,

and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department ("CSSD") Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246 (b).

25. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in the CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM Paragraph immediately above, shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to the TERM AND TERMINATION Paragraph of this Agreement, and pursue debarment of Contractor pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

26. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT: Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's "L.A.'s ("Los Angeles")

Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. County's CSSD will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

27. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

28. CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATING IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it or any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within thirty (30) calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more of its employees, agents, or staff members barring it or the employee(s), agent(s), or member(s) from participating in a Federally funded health care program,

whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

29. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS: Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, or principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify

County in writing, during the term of this agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

30. CONTRACTOR'S WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES FOR EMPLOYMENT: Contractor agrees to receive referrals from County's Department of Human Resources of qualified permanent employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former employees who have been laid off and are on a re-employment list during the life of this Agreement. Such referred permanent or former County employees shall be given first consideration of employment as Contractor vacancies occur after the implementation and throughout the term of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

31. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES ("DPSS") GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE ("GAIN") PROGRAM OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITY FOR WORK ("GROW") PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of

this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in County's DPSS GAIN or GROW program(s), who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to Contractor. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

32. SERVICE DELIVERY SITE - MAINTENANCE STANDARDS:

Contractor shall assure that the locations (i.e., facilities) where services are provided under provisions of this Agreement are operated at all times in accordance with County community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's facility(ies) shall include a review of compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph.

33. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible contractor is a contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily



perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided under this Agreement, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time not to exceed three (3) years, and terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. County may debar Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County, (2) committed any act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by County, or engage in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or

submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right

to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contract Hearing Board.

G. These terms shall also apply to any subcontractors of Contractor.

34. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: The parties acknowledge the existence of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and its implementing regulations ("HIPAA"). Contractor understands and agrees that, as a provider of medical treatment services, it is a "covered entity" under HIPAA and, as such, has obligations with respect to the confidentiality, privacy and security of patients' medical information, and must take certain steps to preserve the confidentiality of this information, both internally and externally, including the training of its staff and the establishment of proper procedures for the release of such information, and the use of appropriate consents and authorizations specified under HIPAA.

The parties acknowledge their separate and independent obligations with respect to HIPAA, and that such obligations relate to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Contractor understands and agrees that it is separately and independently responsible for compliance with HIPAA in all these areas and that County has not undertaken any responsibility for compliance on Contractor's behalf. Contractor has not relied,

and will not in any way rely, on County for legal advice or other representations with respect to Contractor's obligations under HIPAA, but will independently seek its own counsel and take the necessary measures to comply with the law and its implementing regulations.

Contractor and County understand and agree that each is independently responsible for HIPAA compliance and agree to take all necessary and reasonable actions to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA law and implementing regulations related to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Each party further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party (including their officers, employees, and agents), for its failure to comply with HIPAA.

35. SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: Contractor shall notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, and shall require that each of Contractor's subcontractors providing services under this Agreement also notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. County's fact sheet is available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing and review purposes. Further, Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is

County's policy to encourage Contractor and all of its sub-contractors, providing services under this Agreement, if any, to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at their place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

36. USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER: Consistent with County's Board of Supervisors policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content bond paper and paper products to the maximum extent possible in connection with services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

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EXHIBIT II  
Contract # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Physician Services)  
(All Facilities)

PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY  
MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_,

by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
(hereafter "County"),  
and  
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code,  
Sections 1441 and 1445, County has established and operates,  
through its Department of Health Services, various County  
hospitals, comprehensive health centers and health centers,  
including \_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter  
"Medical Facility"); and

WHEREAS, a large number of physician specialty medical  
services must be available to meet the needs of sick or injured  
County patients requiring treatment at Medical Facilities; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that it has insufficient  
physician staff to provide all of the necessary specialty medical  
services required for its patients; and

WHEREAS, County has further determined that the specialty  
medical services to be provided hereunder are needed only on a  
part-time or intermittent basis; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provision of part-time or intermittent services, it is the intent of the parties that the services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be used only to address unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, vacation coverage or service needs that are sporadic or unpredictable in nature such that they do not give rise to the need for a full-time physician; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has been selected by the Department of Health Services in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Supervisors to fill a critically needed specialty position at Medical Facility (applicable only to new agreements with physician contractors which start on or after July 1, 2004); and

WHEREAS, Contractor either is (if not incorporated), or has (if incorporated) as its principal officer, a physician duly licensed and certified under the laws of the State of California to engage in the practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is either Board certified in his or her specialty(ies) or is eligible to take the examination to become Board certified in his or her specialty(ies); and

WHEREAS, Contractor has applied for and been granted membership in Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association and clinical privileges in accordance with such Association's bylaws; and

WHEREAS, County is authorized by California Government Code Sections 26227 and 31000, and by California Health and Safety Code Sections 1441, 1445, and 1451, and by Los Angeles County Code section 2.121.250 B (4) to contract for the part-time or intermittent medical services described hereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. TERM AND TERMINATION:

A. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date of its execution by County's Director of the Department of Health Services, or his or her authorized designee (collectively hereafter "Director"), with such date reflected on the top of page 1 of Agreement, and shall continue in full force and effect to and including June 30, 2009. In any event, either party may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any reason, with or without cause, by providing at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice thereof to the other party.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Director may find Contractor out of compliance with this Agreement and immediately terminate this Agreement if Contractor has demonstrated a consistent failure to adhere to Medical Facility's policies, procedures, and contractual requirements, as outlined in this Agreement and in the Department of Health Services' and Medical Facility's



Professional Staff Association bylaws, rules, and policy manuals.

C. County may suspend or terminate this Agreement immediately if Contractor's license to practice medicine is suspended or revoked by the State of California (Medical Board of California or California Board of Osteopathy, as appropriate).

D. County's failure to exercise any right of termination under this Paragraph shall not constitute waiver of such right and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

E. Director is authorized to execute any necessary or required suspension(s) or termination(s) pursuant to this Paragraph on behalf of County.

F. In conjunction with any suspension or termination of Agreement by County, Contractor understands and acknowledges that she/he shall have no right to any County administrative hearing or other County due process right under Medical Facility's bylaws or other County administrative forum to challenge or appeal such suspension or termination.

G. Unless earlier cancelled or terminated, this Agreement shall concurrently terminate on the date that County either (1) transfers the management and operation of Medical Facility, by sale or management contract (e.g.,

lease of Medical Facility), to a third party, or (2) closes Medical Facility.

2. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION OF COUNTY: During the term of this Agreement, the maximum obligation of County for all services provided hereunder shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_) as follows:

A. During the period date of execution by Director through June 30, 2006, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

B. During the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

C. During the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_); and,

D. During the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_).

3. PRIOR AGREEMENT SUPERSEDED: Effective date of execution by Director, this Agreement shall replace and supersede Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ and any and all Amendments thereto.

4. ADMINISTRATION: Director is authorized to administer this Agreement on behalf of County.

5. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Contractor shall provide medical services as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT: Contractor shall bill County in accordance with the payment procedures set forth in Exhibit "A".

7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees or agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally required employee benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State and local taxes, or other compensation or benefits to any employees provided by Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor and all persons furnishing services to County on behalf of

Contractor pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole responsibility of Contractor and not the responsibility of County. Contractor shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for any and all workers' compensation benefits to Contractor and any person as a result of injuries arising from or connected with services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

8. COUNTY PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION:

A. County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (for purposes of this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from liability, expense and claims for damages resulting from or related to a medical incident arising out of the provision of contract services hereunder. For purposes of this Agreement, a medical incident shall mean any act or omission in the rendering of, or failure to render, medical services, or treatment to County patients by Contractor, at County's Medical Facility, in the performance of Contractor's professional obligations under this Agreement.

B. County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall only apply to payments of settlements, judgements, and awards to third parties, including legal defense expenses.

County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall further only arise if Contractor's liability is to a County patient or the patient's representative, and the patient, at the time of the medical incident, was assigned to the care of Contractor. To the extent that County is obligated to provide an indemnification program hereunder, County will also provide claims administration and legal defense on behalf of Contractor.

C. Contractor shall give prompt telephonic notice (within twenty-four [24] hours) to Medical Facility's Risk Manager of any incident, action, or claim to which this indemnification applies and shall fully cooperate with County and its claims representatives, in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim. Such telephonic notice shall be immediately followed by written notice to Medical Facility's Risk Manager. Such written notice shall include all of the information listed in County's Risk Management form. Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of said County Risk Management form.

D. County reserves the right to investigate any incident, action, or claim. In such event, Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the medical records and reports pertaining to the services provided to any

County patient involved in such incident, action, or claim. Contractor shall also allow County representatives access to its employees and agents, if any, who provided services to the County patients involved in such incident, action, or claim.

County's agents, as designated by Director, will consult with Contractor regarding the disposition of any action or claim hereunder. However, County reserves the right to determine the final disposition of any action or claim. In the event Contractor does not agree with County's agents in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim, Contractor may pursue defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim independently and County's indemnification obligation with respect to such action or claim shall immediately terminate. In such event, County shall have no financial obligation on behalf of Contractor for liability, expenses, including legal defense fees and expenses, or payments of settlements, judgements, awards, or damages arising out of the medical incident.

E. County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor where Contractor failed to provide County with prompt telephonic and written notice of such incident, action, or claim, as specified in Subparagraph 6.C. above,

or if Contractor has failed to fully and reasonably cooperate with County and its agents in the defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim.

In addition, County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor by patients or their legal representatives, other than those covered specifically by this Agreement. Moreover, this indemnification shall not cover Contractor's damages or expenses arising out of Contractor's willful or criminal misconduct, nor shall it cover the award of any punitive damages.

F. The provisions of this Paragraph shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement for actions or claims against Contractor.

9. COUNTY GENERAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION: As part of County's consideration under this Agreement, County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (in this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from general liability, expense, and claims for damages of third parties resulting from or directly related to the provision of services at County's Medical Facility to County patients under this Agreement, except that this indemnification shall not extend to Contractor's willful or

criminal misconduct or to any Contractor actions which result in the imposition of punitive damages. Nor shall this indemnification cover claims or actions against Contractor arising from Contractor's or his or her employees' negligent use of an automobile or other motor vehicle.

10. CONTRACTOR INDEMNIFICATION: With the exception of the professional liability indemnification and the general liability indemnification provided by County, as stated above, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

11. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Without limiting County's indemnification of Contractor, and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

A. Evidence of Insurance: Certification(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be



delivered to the parties and locations as listed in Paragraph 11, NOTICES, Subparagraph A, Sub-sub paragraphs (1) and (2), prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

(1) Specifically identify this Agreement.

(2) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.

(3) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.

(4) Pursuant to Paragraph 10, INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS, include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Agreement.

(5) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expense or

fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

B. Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

C. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

D. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(1) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a

claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence.

(2) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(3) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-Employee Injury Report" to County contract manager.

(4) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

E. Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(1) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractors, or

(2) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

12. INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Liability Insurance. If Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor also shall maintain general liability insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 Million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 Million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 Million

B. Automobile Liability Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$300,000 for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

C. Professional Liability Insurance: Consistent with Medical Facility's Professional Staff Associations' Bylaws governing physician services provided under community hospital status, if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and admits and treats his or her private patients at Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor shall provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of Contractor, its officers or employees, with limits of not less than \$1. Million per occurrence and \$3 Million aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

If Contractor does not maintain a private medical practice and does not admit or treat private patients at County's Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice, but does not treat County patients at Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor need not provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance to cover services provided under this Agreement.

D. Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability

Insurance: If Contractor utilizes any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder, as set forth in Exhibit "A", Paragraph 4, then Contractor shall provide workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:	\$1 Million
Disease - Policy Limit:	\$1 Million
Disease - Each Employee:	\$1 Million

13. NOTICES: Any and all notices required, permitted, or desired to be given hereunder by one party to the other shall be in writing and may either be delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the parties named. Director is authorized to issue all notices which are required or permitted by County hereunder. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten (10) calendar days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

A. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Office of the Administrator

(2) Department of Health Services  
Contracts and Grants Division  
313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor-East  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attention: Division Director

B. Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

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\_\_\_\_\_

14. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS: Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is a document labeled "ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS". The terms and conditions therein contained are part of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by its

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Director of Health Services, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.  
Director and Chief Medical Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Health Services

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Cara O'Neill, Chief  
Contracts and Grants Division

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(All Facilities: On-Site/On-Call)

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES

1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED: Contractor is a physician, duly licensed to practice medicine in the State of California, Board certified or Board eligible, in her/his specialty and has applied for and been granted medical staff privileges at Medical Facility, \_\_\_\_\_. Contractor shall at all times meet the minimum professional qualifications defined in this Agreement.

For purposes of this Agreement, "County patients" are defined as those patients at Medical Facility who are designated as County patients by the County Medical Facility's Medical Director or his authorized designee (hereafter collectively "Medical Director"), who are inpatients or outpatients, and who are not admitted or treated by medical staff members as private patients under such Medical Facility's community hospital status.

Contractor's services shall be performed only for County patients, as defined above, and shall be under the administrative and professional direction of Medical Director. Medical Facility shall retain professional and administrative responsibility for the services provided under this Agreement. Such services include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:

A. \_\_\_\_\_ and related services at times and on dates scheduled in writing by Medical Director. Medical Director shall be responsible for including in Contractor's written schedule all on-site and on-call service hours and further shall be responsible for distinguishing between the two types of service hours on Contractor's written schedule.

Additionally, Medical Director shall assign Contractor only on a part-time or intermittent basis and shall utilize Contractor only to fulfill service needs that arise as a result of unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, vacation coverage or a sporadic or unpredictable need that does not give rise to the need for a full-time physician. Medical Director shall be responsible for including the reason for Contractor's assignment in accordance with the categories set forth herein (e.g., unanticipated, critical staffing shortage, peak workload, unexpected emergency, vacation coverage or sporadic/unpredictable need).

Medical Facility shall maintain such schedules throughout the Agreement term and for a period of five years thereafter for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Consultation services to Medical Facility medical departments, other than department of primary assignment,

concerning County patients, upon request of Medical Director.

C. Surgical services and appropriate pre-operative medical services (where applicable to Contractor's medical specialty) at Medical Facility, upon request of Medical Director.

D. Emergency medical services at Medical Facility, including weekends and holidays, upon request of Medical Director.

E. Upon prior, written approval of Medical Director, administrative services, as requested by Medical Director, to include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Participating on Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Committees;
- (2) Participating on Medical Facility's medical staff committees;
- (3) Participating in Medical Facility's licensure and Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organization ("JCAHO") reviews;
- (4) Participating in Medical Facility's planning and equipment planning activities; and
- (5) Developing internal policies and procedures.

F. Such other medical services at Medical Facility as may be requested by Medical Director in writing, consistent with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

G. In no event shall Contractor be permitted to work more than 1,767 hours annually in the discharge of all service obligations set forth in this Paragraph 1. The 1,767 annual hour limit shall include all on-site service hours work as well as all on-call service hours.

2. CONTRACTOR'S PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Licenses: All physicians providing services at Medical Facility must be appropriately licensed by the State of California and each must carry her/his current State license (not a copy) while on County premises.

Prior to the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide Medical Director with a copy of all current licenses, credentials, or certifications required by law for the provision of services hereunder.

B. Board Certification: During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall continuously have and maintain board certification or board eligibility in her/his specialty(ies) for which he or she has contracted to provide hereunder.

C. Credentialing Requirements: Contractor must meet the credentialing criteria set forth by Medical Facility

prior to providing services under this Agreement. Among other things, Medical Director shall verify the current status of Contractor's licenses, medical clearance(s) (in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations requirements), credentials, certifications, and claims history. Medical Director shall also query the National Data Bank and the State Medical Board about Contractor's background. Medical Director shall discontinue Contractor's services immediately if Contractor either does not meet Medical Facility's credentialing criteria, or Contractor's licenses, credentials, or certifications are not current, or both.

In the event Medical Facility inadvertently utilizes Contractor's services absent the appropriate licenses, credentials, or certifications, Medical Facility shall have no obligation to pay Contractor for services to patients hereunder.

D. Bloodborne Pathogens: Contractor must read and sign a statement that she/he has read the Occupational Safety and Health Agency ("OSHA") Bloodborne Pathogens Information packet prior to providing services under this Agreement. Medical Director shall retain such statement in Contractor's credentialing files.

Failure to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph, as determined by a Medical Facility audit/ compliance review, shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which Director may immediately terminate this Agreement.

E. Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations Standards: Throughout the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall be in conformance with the applicable continuing education requirements established by JCAHO or the State Medical Board or both.

3. STANDARDS OF CARE:

A. All specialty medical services provided hereunder shall be performed in accordance with all applicable and accepted professional and ethical standards of the medical profession and shall be in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, and directives, as well as with all applicable regulations, policies, procedures, rules, and directives of Medical Facility, and of its professional staff association.

B. County has established a Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee, composed of County employees appointed by Director to review the services contemplated by this Agreement and to assure a standard of care by Contractor and others which is consistent with the laws of

the State and Federal governments, with County's Quality Assessment and Improvement standards, and with the prevailing standards of medical practice in the community. Contractor agrees to adhere to the standards thereby established and to fully cooperate in any review of patient care by County's Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee representatives at Medical Facility.

4. USE OF EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS: Contractor shall not utilize any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder without obtaining the prior written approval of Medical Director and without otherwise satisfying all other delegation and subcontracting requirements of Agreement. No such employee or agent shall provide services on County premises unless he or she has satisfied all applicable physical examination and immunization requirements of Title 22, California Code of Regulations.

In any event, Contractor shall immediately remove any Contractor employee or agent from the provision of such services at Medical Facility upon receipt of oral or written notice from Medical Director that the actions of such employee or agent may adversely affect the delivery of health care services.

Regardless of Contractor's use of any employee or agent hereunder, County shall only be obligated to pay for Contractor's personal services hereunder.

5. COMPENSATION:

A. County shall compensate Contractor for his or her on-site professional services performed at Medical Facility on an hourly basis as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

County shall compensate Contractor for his or her on-call professional services on an hourly basis at up to fifty percent (50%) of the rate set forth above. During the term of this Agreement, County's compensation for on-call professional services shall be \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only the following physician specialties shall be placed upon, and therefore reimbursed for, on-call status: Anesthesiology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Neuro-surgery, Vascular Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Cardiology (Echocardiography), Cardiothoracic Surgery, and Radiology (Interventional, Invasive).

If Contractor performs services for less than one hour, payment for that hour shall be reduced by prorating to the number of minutes in the hour worked.

Medical Director shall assure that such medical services were indeed provided and that Medical Facility maintains appropriate time records to reflect the provision of same.



B. In the event this Agreement is suspended, canceled, or terminated, County's payment obligation above shall cease as of the date of such suspension, cancellation, or termination.

C. Contractor shall pay the wages of his or her employees or agents who may render services hereunder as well as be responsible for all employment obligations and benefits for each employee, including, but not limited to, Federal and State withholding taxes, Social Security taxes, Unemployment Insurance and Disability payments.

D. Contractor agrees that should it perform services not requested and specified in Paragraph 1 above, such services shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of Contractor and Contractor shall have no claim against County for such services.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT:

A. Contractor shall bill County monthly, in arrears, in accordance with the terms, conditions and rates set forth above. All billings shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable detail of the services for which claim is made, including, but not limited to, type of services provided (e.g., critical care, neonatal care, administrative, etc.), whether such services were provided on-call or on-site, date and hours worked, and the applicable hourly rate.

B. Billings shall be made in duplicate and forwarded to the Medical Facility and to the attention of the Expenditure Management Division promptly at the end of each month. Upon receipt of a complete and correct billing, County shall pay Contractor within thirty (30) working days. Incorrect and/or discrepant billings, as determined by County, will be returned to Contractor for correction before payment is made.

C. Contractor shall not bill any County patient or third-party for services provided under this Agreement; nor shall Contractor accept or receive any cash payment or other compensation from or on behalf of any such patient or third party for such services. Should any such payment be received, Contractor shall immediately notify Medical Facility Administrator of that fact in writing.

D. Contractor shall fully cooperate with Medical Facility staff, and the staff of the County's Treasurer-Tax Collector or any County billing and collection contractor, in billing third-party payers and patients for care provided by Contractor hereunder.

7. PARKING SPACE: When providing services hereunder at Medical Facility, parking for Contractor's vehicle will be made available by Medical Director to Contractor.

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1. RECORDS AND AUDITS:

A. Financial Records: Contractor shall prepare and maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations as they relate to services provided under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete personnel time records and other records of all services provided hereunder. All such records shall include supporting documentation and other information sufficient to fully and accurately reflect Contractor's provision of services hereunder, including, but not limited to, its cost of providing such services and all charges billed to County.

All financial records of Contractor pertaining to this Agreement shall be retained by Contractor for a minimum period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. During such five (5) years, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Southern California and shall be made available during County's normal business hours to representatives of County's Auditor-Controller and the Department of Health Services for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Patient Records: Contractor shall prepare all appropriate medical records for County patients receiving services hereunder. If a County patient receives services from Contractor at Contractor's private office (a possibility for High Desert Hospital patients only), then Contractor shall also maintain such records on any such patient. Such records shall include, but are not limited to, progress notes and records of services provided in sufficient detail to permit the evaluation of services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. All patient records for patients seen in Contractor's office shall be retained by Contractor for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise required under State law. During such five (5) year period, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County and shall be made available upon ten (10) working days prior written notice to authorized representatives of County designated by Director or by County's Auditor-Controller, or both, for purposes of inspection and audit.

C. Knox-Keene Health Care Services Requirements: If Contractor provides medical services hereunder at its private offices, Contractor shall further maintain all

applicable books, documents, and records regarding services rendered to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. This obligation shall not be terminated upon expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Director shall have the right to inspect, at reasonable times upon demand during the term of this Agreement and for five (5) years thereafter, Contractor's books, records, and papers relating to: (1) the provisions of health services at Contractor's office to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan, (2) the costs thereof, (3) co-payments received by Contractor from subscribers or enrollees and, (4) the financial condition of Contractor.

Contractor shall maintain such records and provide such information to the Commissioner of Corporations as may be necessary for compliance with the provisions of the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975 (California Health and Safety Code sections 1340, et seq.) and all rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

D. Federal Access to Records: If, and to the extent that, section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. section 1395(v)(1)(I)] is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of five (5) years following the



furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States, or to any of their duly authorized representatives, the contract, books, documents, and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the cost of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through a subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents, and records of the subcontractor.

E. Audit Report: In the event that an audit is conducted of Contractor by a Federal or State auditor (including audits conducted by the Medicare and Medi-Cal programs, or both), Contractor shall file a copy of each such audit report(s) with County's Auditor-Controller Department within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided for under this Agreement, or under applicable State or Federal regulations. To the

extent permitted by law, County shall maintain the confidentiality of all such audit report(s).

F. Audit/Compliance Review: In the event County representatives conduct an audit/compliance review of Contractor, Contractor shall fully cooperate with County's representatives. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to all financial reports, medical records, and reports pertaining to this Agreement and shall allow photocopies to be made of these documents utilizing Contractor's photocopier, for which County shall reimburse Contractor its customary charge for record copying services, if requested. Director shall provide Contractor with at least ten (10) working days prior written notice of any audit/compliance review.

County may conduct a statistical audit/compliance review of all claims paid by County during a specified period. The sample shall be determined in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. An exit conference shall be held following the performance of any such audit/compliance review at which time the results shall be discussed with Contractor. Contractor shall be provided with a copy of any resultant written evaluation report(s).

Contractor shall have the opportunity to review County's findings for Contractor, and Contractor shall have thirty

(30) calendar days after receipt of County's audit/compliance review results to provide documentation to the County representatives to resolve audit exceptions. If, at the end of the thirty (30) day period there remain audit exceptions which have not been resolved to the satisfaction of County's representatives, then the exception rate found in the audit or sample results shall be applied to the total County payments made to Contractor for all claims paid during the audit/compliance review period to determine Contractor's liability to County.

G. County Audit Settlements: If, at any time during the term of this Agreement or at any time within five (5) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, authorized representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the services provided to County hereunder and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such services is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then Contractor agrees that the difference shall be either: (1) repaid forthwith by Contractor to County by cash payment, or (2) at Director's option, deducted from any further amount due to Contractor from County. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for services provided hereunder is more than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference

shall be paid forthwith by County to Contractor by cash payment.

H. Failure to Comply: Failure of Contractor to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County shall give Contractor a written "Notice of Material Breach". If such breach has not been cured within ten (10) business days following the giving of such Notice, then County may, at County's sole discretion, immediately terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1, TERM AND TERMINATION, in the body of this Agreement. County's failure to exercise this right of termination shall not constitute waiver of such right, and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

2. CONFIDENTIALITY: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, billings, County records and patient records, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality. Contractor shall inform all its officer, employees, and agents, providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability,

and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by Contractor, its officer, employees, and agents.

County shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability, and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by County, its officers, employees, or agents.

3. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES: Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap, in accordance with requirements of Federal and State law. For the purpose of this Paragraph, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to any person which is different, or is provided in a different manner, or at a different time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirement or

conditions which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap.

4. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:

A. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies are and will be treated equally by it without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

B. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may

hereafter be amended. Such action shall include, but is not limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

C. Contractor shall deal with its subcontractors, bidders or vendors without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, as required by all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

D. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by Director. Prior to any such inspection, Contractor may remove personal employee information from such records which is protected under the privacy laws of the State of California. To the extent any such information may come into the possession of County during such an inspection, County hereby promises to protect same from disclosure to third parties.

E. If County finds that any of the above provisions have been violated, the same shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph.

F. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, County shall, at its option, be entitled to a sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) per violation or group of such violations investigated, pursuant to Civil Code section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

G. The parties understand and agree that the liquidated damages payable pursuant to Subparagraph 4.F. above are meant to compensate County for the costs of each investigation of violation(s) of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, and therefore, the parties



agree that the basis for assessing liquidated damages for purposes of Sub-paragraph 4.F. above shall be the number of investigative reports submitted to Director, provided that no violation may be covered in more than one report.

Director shall use his best efforts to insure that violations will be grouped together whenever possible for purposes of investigation.

5. LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES:

Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law for the operation of its medical practice and for the provision of services pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall ensure that all its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder, obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder. Such licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates shall be made available to Director upon request.

6. RULES AND REGULATIONS: During the time the Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents are at Medical Facility, Contractor and such persons shall be subject to the rules and regulations of Medical Facility. It is the responsibility of Contractor to acquaint itself and such persons who may provide

services hereunder with such rules and regulations. Contractor shall immediately and permanently withdraw any of its officers, employees, or agents from the provision of services hereunder upon receipt of written notice from Director that (a) such officer(s), employee(s), or agent(s) has (have) violated such rules and regulations, or (b) such officer's, employee's, or agent's actions, while on County premises, may harm County patients. Director shall provide Contractor with a written statement of the facts supporting any such violation or action.

7. STAFF PERFORMANCE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE: Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that no employee or physician, including Contractor, will perform services hereunder while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance that might impair her/his physical or mental performance.

8. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE DURING DISASTER OR CIVIL UNREST: Contractor recognizes that health care facilities maintained by County, including shelters and relief facilities operated by County during a disaster, provide care essential to the residents of the communities they serve and that these services are of particular importance at the time of a natural disaster or other similar event, or at the time of riot, insurrection, or civil unrest. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall continue to provide services at Medical Facility

and, if requested to do so by Director, shall also provide services at County-operated shelters and relief facilities, during any natural disaster or other similar event, riot, insurrection or civil unrest, so long as such performance remains physically possible.

Director shall provide Contractor with an explanation of the services and responsibilities required of Contractor in the event of a disaster or civil unrest.

9. UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION: Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder of the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with section 6150) of the California Business and Professions Code (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to ensure that there is no violation of said provisions by its officers, employees, and agents. Contractor agrees that if a patient requests assistance in obtaining the services of any attorney, it will refer the patient to the attorney referral service of those bar associations within Los Angeles County that have such a service.

10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No County officer or employee whose position in County enables him/her to influence the award or the administration of this Agreement or any competing

agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such officer or employee, shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor herein, or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement.

No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to Director. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons involved and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

11. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:

A. Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee,

excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

B. For breach or violation of this warranty, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and, in its sole discretion, to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee.

12. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION:

Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any assignment or delegation which does not have such prior County consent shall be null and void.

13. SUBCONTRACTING:

A. For purposes of this Agreement, subcontracts shall be approved by Director or his/her authorized designee(s). Contractor's request to Director for approval of a subcontract shall include:

(1) Identification of the proposed subcontractor and an explanation of why and how the proposed subcontractor was selected, including a description of Contractor's efforts to obtain competitive bids.

(2) A description of the services to be provided under the subcontract.

(3) The proposed subcontract amount, together with Contractor's cost or price analysis thereof. In the event that the subcontracted services are to be provided to Contractor on either a gratuitous or "pro bono" or "volunteer" basis, Contractor shall state as such.

(4) A copy of the proposed subcontract. Any later modification of such subcontract shall take the form of a formally written subcontract amendment, which must be approved in writing by Director before such amendment is effective.

B. Subcontracts issued pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in writing and shall contain at least the intent of all of the Paragraphs of the body of the Agreement, including the ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS, and the requirements of the exhibit(s), including their attachments.

C. At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the subcontract's proposed effective date, Contractor shall submit for review and approval to Director a copy of the proposed subcontract instrument. With Director's written approval of the subcontract instrument, the subcontract may proceed.

D. Subcontracts shall be made in the name of Contractor and shall not bind County. The making of subcontracts hereunder shall not relieve Contractor of any requirement under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the duty to properly supervise and coordinate the work of subcontractors. Approval of the provisions of any subcontract by County shall not be construed to constitute a determination of the allowability of any cost under this Agreement. In no event shall approval of any subcontract by County be construed as affecting any increase to the amount contained in the MAXIMUM OBLIGATION Paragraph.

E. Failure by Contractor to comply with this Paragraph 35 shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach.

14. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and

all loss, damage, liability, or expense resulting from any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents of such Federal, State, or local laws, ordinances, regulations, or directives.

15. AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor hereby represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation set forth in this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

16. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS: Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

17. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION: Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of aliens and others, and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the



citizenship or alien status requirements contained in Federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of Federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

18. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any federal monies are to be used to pay for Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by section 319, Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds provided under this Agreement also fully comply with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

19. COUNTY LOBBYISTS: Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist

Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any County lobbyist retained by Contractor to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

20. MERGER PROVISION: The body of this Agreement, including all the exhibits and attachments thereto, fully express all understandings of the parties concerning all matters covered and shall constitute the total Agreement. No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement whether by written or verbal understanding of the parties, their officers, agents, or employees, shall be valid unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

21. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Agreement, including any provision in an exhibit, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

22. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION AND DEFAULT:

A. Termination for Improper Consideration: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given

by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of the Agreement, or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

B. Termination for Default: County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:

- (1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to satisfactorily perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or

any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or

(2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five (5) calendar days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.

In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided hereinabove, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may seem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

23. COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: Director will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing

Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which Director determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of this Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the County Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

24. CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through County contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act [42 USC Section 653 (a)] and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.55,

and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department ("CSSD") Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246 (b).

25. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in the CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM Paragraph immediately above, shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to the TERM AND TERMINATION Paragraph of this Agreement, and pursue debarment of Contractor pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

26. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT: Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's "L.A.'s ("Los Angeles")

Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. County's CSSD will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

27. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

28. CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATING IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it or any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within thirty (30) calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more of its employees, agents, or staff members barring it or the employee(s), agent(s), or member(s) from participating in a Federally funded health care program,

whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

29. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED

TRANSACTIONS: Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, or principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify



County in writing, during the term of this agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

30. CONTRACTOR'S WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES FOR EMPLOYMENT: Contractor agrees to receive referrals from County's Department of Human Resources of qualified permanent employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former employees who have been laid off and are on a re-employment list during the life of this Agreement. Such referred permanent or former County employees shall be given first consideration of employment as Contractor vacancies occur after the implementation and throughout the term of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

31. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES ("DPSS") GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE ("GAIN") PROGRAM OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITY FOR WORK ("GROW") PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of

this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in County's DPSS GAIN or GROW program(s), who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to Contractor. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

32. SERVICE DELIVERY SITE - MAINTENANCE STANDARDS:

Contractor shall assure that the locations (i.e., facilities) where services are provided under provisions of this Agreement are operated at all times in accordance with County community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's facility(ies) shall include a review of compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph.

33. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible contractor is a contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily

perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided under this Agreement, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time not to exceed three (3) years, and terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. County may debar Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County, (2) committed any act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by County, or engage in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or

submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right

to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contract Hearing Board.

G. These terms shall also apply to any subcontractors of Contractor.

34. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: The parties acknowledge the existence of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and its implementing regulations ("HIPAA"). Contractor understands and agrees that, as a provider of medical treatment services, it is a "covered entity" under HIPAA and, as such, has obligations with respect to the confidentiality, privacy and security of patients' medical information, and must take certain steps to preserve the confidentiality of this information, both internally and externally, including the training of its staff and the establishment of proper procedures for the release of such information, and the use of appropriate consents and authorizations specified under HIPAA.

The parties acknowledge their separate and independent obligations with respect to HIPAA, and that such obligations relate to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Contractor understands and agrees that it is separately and independently responsible for compliance with HIPAA in all these areas and that County has not undertaken any responsibility for compliance on Contractor's behalf. Contractor has not relied,

and will not in any way rely, on County for legal advice or other representations with respect to Contractor's obligations under HIPAA, but will independently seek its own counsel and take the necessary measures to comply with the law and its implementing regulations.

Contractor and County understand and agree that each is independently responsible for HIPAA compliance and agree to take all necessary and reasonable actions to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA law and implementing regulations related to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Each party further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party (including their officers, employees, and agents), for its failure to comply with HIPAA.

35. SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: Contractor shall notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, and shall require that each of Contractor's subcontractors providing services under this Agreement also notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. County's fact sheet is available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing and review purposes. Further, Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is

County's policy to encourage Contractor and all of its sub-contractors, providing services under this Agreement, if any, to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at their place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

36. USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER: Consistent with County's Board of Supervisors policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content bond paper and paper products to the maximum extent possible in connection with services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

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EXHIBIT III

Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT  
(Physician Registry Services)

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_,

by and between COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (hereafter  
"County"),

and \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 1441 and 1445, County has established and operates, through its Department of Health Services, various County hospitals, comprehensive health centers and health centers (all hereafter "Medical Facility" or "Medical Facilities", as appropriate); and

WHEREAS, a large number of specialty medical services must be available to meet the needs of sick or injured County patients requiring treatment at Medical Facilities; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that it has insufficient physician staff to provide all of the necessary specialty services required for its patients; and

WHEREAS, County has further determined that the specialty medical services to be provided hereunder are needed on a part-time or intermittent basis; and



WHEREAS, in accordance with the provision of part-time or intermittent services, it is the intent of the parties that the services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be used only to address unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies or vacation coverage; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is an agent and billing service for physician specialists (hereafter "Physician Affiliates") and able to arrange for physician coverage at Medical Facilities by its Physician Affiliates, all of whom are duly licensed and certified under the laws of the State of California to engage in the practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Contractor's Physician Affiliates are skilled in various medical specialties and have applied for (or will apply for) and been granted (or will be granted prior to the provision of service hereunder) consultant medical staff membership in Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association ("PSA") and clinical privileges in accordance with such PSA's bylaws; and

WHEREAS, County is authorized by California Government Code sections 26227 and 31000, and by California Health and Safety Code sections 1441, 1445, and 1451 to contract for the medical services described hereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. TERM AND TERMINATION: The term of this Agreement shall commence on \_\_\_\_\_, and shall continue in full force and

effect to and including June 30, 2009. Except as otherwise set forth below, this Agreement may be terminated at any time by either party, with or without cause, upon the giving of at least thirty (30) calendar days' advance written notice thereof to the other.

County may terminate this Agreement immediately if Contractor, or any of its officers, employees, or agents, including any one or more of its Physician Affiliates, fail to comply with the terms of this Agreement or any directions by or on behalf of County issued pursuant hereto.

County may also terminate this Agreement immediately if Contractor, its officers, employees or agents, including its Physician Affiliates, engage in, or if County has reasonable justification to believe that Contractor, or such employees, or agents, including Contractor's Physician Affiliates, may be engaging in a course of conduct which poses an imminent danger to the life or health of County patients.

County's failure to exercise this right of termination shall not constitute waiver of such right, and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

Immediate termination hereunder shall be effected by delivery to Contractor of a written "Notice of Immediate Termination" which shall be effective upon Contractor's receipt of such "Notice of Immediate Termination".

2. ADMINISTRATION: The Director of County's Department of Health Services, or his or her authorized designee (hereafter collectively "Director"), shall administer this Agreement on behalf of County. Director retains professional and administrative responsibility for the services rendered under this Agreement. The general responsibility, however, does not relieve Contractor from its specific duties stated elsewhere under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the obligations: (1) to perform its professional services according to customary quality of care standards in the community and under this Agreement; and (2) to defend County and other named agencies and individuals for claims, and to indemnify them for any resultant damages, based upon Contractor's failure or alleged failure to satisfy such quality of care standards. Contractor shall designate in writing a person who shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of Contractor. The term "Administrator", as used in this Agreement, means Director's Medical Facility Administrator (for the facility where Contractor is to provide services) or his/her duly authorized designee.

Contractor extends to Director, Administrator, and to authorized representatives of the State and the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations ("JCAHO") the right at all reasonable times to review and monitor Contractor's personnel and services, including on-site visits to Contractor's

office(s) to verify compliance with applicable standards and regulations and with the terms of this Agreement.

All such inspections made by Director and other County representatives shall be conducted during Contractor's normal business hours in a manner which will not interfere with Contractor's operations.

3. PRIOR AGREEMENT SUPERSEDED: Effective date of execution by Director, this Agreement shall replace and supersede Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ and any and all Amendments thereto.

4. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Contractor shall, upon the written request of Director or Administrator, arrange for the provision of the specialty medical services described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

5. BILLING AND PAYMENT: All billings by Contractor for services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be in accordance with the terms, conditions, and rates set forth in Exhibit "B", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Each County Medical Facility is required to maintain patient and other records for physicians providing services at the Medical Facility, including those for Contractor and Contractor's referred Physician Affiliate(s) (collectively hereafter "Contractor"). Such records may include, but are not limited to:

Physician Time Allocation Survey, Professional Services Assignment Agreement, and a Medicare Penalty Statement. Contractor shall fully cooperate with Medical Facility in completing such records whenever requested by Administrator to do so.

6. NONEXCLUSIVITY: Contractor acknowledges that it is not the exclusive provider to County of the services to be provided under this Agreement, and that County has, or intends to enter into, contracts with other providers of said services for the provision to County thereof. County promises, however, to use its best efforts to utilize Contractor for some services during the Agreement term. Contractor agrees to provide County during the term of this Agreement with the services in Exhibit "A", as County may require of Contractor from time to time.

7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of employee, agent, servant, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor or as between County and Contractor provided Physician Affiliates. The employees or agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees and Physician Affiliates all legally required employee benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, or Federal, State, and local taxes, or other compensation or benefits to any personnel provided by Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons furnishing services to County pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole responsibility of Contractor and not the responsibility of County. Contractor or Contractor's Physician Affiliates, as appropriate, shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for any and all workers' compensation benefits as a result of injuries arising from or connected with services performed by said Physician Affiliate pursuant to this Agreement.

D. Contractor shall inform all of its Physician Affiliates who may provide services under this Agreement in writing of the provisions of this Paragraph. A copy of such written notice shall be retained by Contractor for purposes of inspection and audit and made available to County upon request.

8. PROHIBITION AGAINST THE RECRUITMENT OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES:

Except as may otherwise be expressly stated to the contrary herein, Contractor, and Contractor's employees, officers, agents or independent contractors shall not hire, recruit, attempt to recruit, or cause to be recruited, any County employee to become an employee of Contractor, while Contractor, its employees, officers, agents, or independent contractors are at a County Facility.

Any such attempt at hiring or recruitment of any County employee by Contractor, its employees, officers, agents, or independent Contractors shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County shall immediately terminate this Agreement.

9. PROHIBITION AGAINST COUNTY RECRUITMENT AND HIRING OF CONTRACTOR'S PERSONNEL: It is not County's intent to utilize this Agreement to solicit or recruit Contractor's personnel to County employment. Contractor understands, however, that notices regarding available positions are posted in conspicuous locations at County Facilities and that the County Facilities cannot restrict access by Contractor-referred personnel to such information.

In the event any personnel referred by Contractor hereunder express interest in County employment and County Facility desires

to recruit such individual, County Facility shall give reasonable notice of such fact to Contractor.

10. INDEMNIFICATION: Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

11. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by the County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

A. Evidence of Insurance: Certificate(s) or other evidence satisfactory to County shall be delivered to County's Department of Health Services, Contracts and Grants Division, 313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor-East, Los Angeles, California 90012, prior to commencing services



under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

- (1) Specifically identify this Agreement.
- (2) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.
- (3) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.
- (4) Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Agreement.
- (5) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expense or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be

executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

B. Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

C. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

D. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(1) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such

report shall be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence.

(2) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(3) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-Employee Injury Report" to County contract manager.

(4) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

E. Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(1) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractors, or

(2) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

12. INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Liability Insurance (written on Insurance Services Office [ISO] policy form "CG 00 01" or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 Million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 Million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 Million

B. Automobile Liability Insurance (written on ISO policy form "CA 00 01" or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$1 Million for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

C. Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance providing workers compensation benefits, as

required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident: \$1 Million

Disease - Policy Limit: \$1 Million

Disease - Each Employee: \$1 Million

D. Professional Liability Insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of Contractor, its officers or employees, with limits of not less than \$1 Million per occurrence and \$3 Million aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two (2) year reporting period commencing upon expiration or earlier termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

13. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS: Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is a document labeled "ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS". The terms and conditions contained therein are part of this Agreement.

14. NOTICES: Any and all notices required, permitted or desired to be given hereunder by one party to the other shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the other party personally or by United States mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at the

following addresses and to the attention of the person named.  
Director shall have the authority to issue all notices which are  
required or permitted by County hereunder. Addresses and persons  
to be notified may be changed by either party by providing at  
least ten (10) calendar days prior written notice to the other.

A. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

Department of Health Services  
Contracts and Grants Division  
313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor - East  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attention: Division Chief

B. Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

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Attention: \_\_\_\_\_

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County  
of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by its

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Director of Health Services, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.  
Director and Chief Medical Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

Title \_\_\_\_\_

(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL HERE)

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Health Services

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Cara O'Neill, Chief  
Contracts and Grants Division

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EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES  
(Physician Registry Services)

1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED: Contractor shall arrange for the provision of specialty medical services at Medical Facility by its Physician Affiliates, each of whom is duly licensed to practice medicine in the State of California, and Board certified or Board eligible in his or her particular specialty, and is or will become a consultant member of the medical staff (with clinical privileges) of the professional staff association at the Medical Facility requiring such services. (Any Contractor-referred Physician Affiliate who is a consultant member of a professional staff association of any County hospital and who has clinical privileges there shall be deemed qualified to provide specialty medical services at any County comprehensive health center ["CHC"] or health center requiring his or her services, unless the CHC or health center has its own credentialing process. If it does, Contractor's Physician Affiliates must qualify to provide services there under that Facility's credentialing process.)

Contractor shall assure that the Physician Affiliates who agree to provide services through Contractor hereunder shall at all times meet the minimum professional qualifications for their specialty, as defined by the requesting Medical Facility.



Specialty medical services shall be performed only for County patients and shall be under the direction of the Medical Facility's Medical Director. Requests for physician assignment shall be in writing and authorized by Administrator. Only physicians meeting the County's criteria outlined hereunder and who are acceptable to Medical Facility's Administrator may be assigned to the Medical Facility.

2. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITIES:

A. Business License: Contractor shall provide evidence that it has, for a minimum of three (3) years, been in business as a provider of Locum Tenens services described in this Agreement. Prior to the execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the Department of Health Services, Contracts and Grants Division, with a copy of its current business license(s) and appropriate Employer Identification Number.

B. Recruitment:

(1) Following execution of this Agreement, Medical Facility's Administrator shall provide Contractor with detailed specifications regarding the physician specialty(ies) which Medical Facilities may occasionally require, the number of physicians required, and any other conditions.

(2) Contractor shall screen and validate each physician's experience and suitability to determine and assure that each such physician meets the professional qualifications requested by Medical Facility.

Contractor shall also query the National Data Bank and State Medical Board on each physician candidate, prior to providing services hereunder, and report to Medical Facility's Administrator all adverse reports related to medical malpractice and disciplinary action involving that physician.

(3) Contractor shall provide Medical Facility with a Curriculum Vitae for each physician seeking to provide services under this Agreement. When feasible, Contractor shall make such physician(s) available for personal interview(s) by County Medical Facility's staff designated by the Administrator.

C. Term of Physician Affiliate's Assignment:

Contractor's Physician Affiliate(s) providing services hereunder shall be assigned only on a part-time or intermittent basis, as those terms are defined under this Agreement. No Physician Affiliate is to be assigned to work more than eight (8) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period. Contractor's Physician Affiliates shall not be used for, or placed upon, "on-call" status. Any Physician

Affiliate assigned pursuant to this Agreement shall be utilized only to fulfill on-site service needs that arise as a result of unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies and vacation coverage. At all times, the actual time(s) and date(s) of an assignment of a Contractor Physician Affiliate to Medical Facility, shall be controlled by Administrator who shall memorialize all such assignments in writing, including stating the reason for the Physician Affiliate's assignment in accordance with the categories set forth herein (e.g., unanticipated, critical staffing shortage, peak workload, unexpected emergency or vacation coverage).

D. Infection Control: If any of Contractor's Physician Affiliates is diagnosed with having an infectious disease, and Contractor is made aware of such a diagnosis and such person has had contact with a County patient during the usual incubation period for such infectious disease, then Contractor shall report such occurrences to the Infection Control Department at each Medical Facility where the Physician Affiliate is on staff within twenty-four (24) hours of becoming aware of the diagnosis.

If a County patient is diagnosed with having an infectious disease, and such County patient has had contact with any Contractor Physician Affiliate during the usual

incubation period for such infectious disease, the Medical Facility treating the patient shall report such occurrence to Contractor if the law so permits.

For purposes of this Agreement, the infectious diseases reportable hereunder are those listed in the Public Health List of Reportable Diseases.

E. Physical Examinations/Immunizations: Contractor shall ensure that each Physician Affiliate who performs patient care services under this Agreement is examined by a licensed physician, or other licensed medical practitioner authorized to perform annual physical examinations, on an annual or biannual basis, as required by the JCAHO and section 70723, Title 22, California Code of Regulations and shall provide Administrator at all reasonable time, upon request, with evidence that each such person is free of infectious disease(s), has been immunized against common communicable diseases, has received a chest X-ray and/or annual TB skin test, a rubella antibody titer demonstrating immunity and/or vaccination, and been offered a Hepatitis B antibody titer demonstrating immunity and/or vaccination. In those instances where persons have no demonstrated immunity, and have refused vaccination, a waiver to that effect must be on file and provided upon request.

Written certification that such Physician Affiliate is free of infectious disease(s), has been tested and/or vaccinated as required above, and is physically able to perform the duties described herein shall be retained by Contractor for purposes of inspection and audit and made available at all reasonable times to Administrator upon request.

A Contractor's Physician Affiliate not having completed one or more of the above tests may choose to obtain such tests at Medical Facility, at Contractor or the physician's expense, if such tests are offered by Medical Facility. In such event, the time Contractor's personnel spend obtaining such required tests may not be billed to County.

F. Department of Health Services ("DHS") Risk Management Information Handbook: Contractor's Physician Affiliates referred to County Facilities hereunder must read and sign a statement that she/he has read the DHS Risk Management Information Handbook regarding DHS' malpractice policies and medical protocols prior to providing services under this Agreement.

3. PHYSICIAN AFFILIATE'S PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Licenses: All Physician Affiliates providing services at County Facilities must be appropriately licensed by the State of California and shall carry their current

State license (not a copy) at all times. Contractor shall verify that each Physician Affiliate providing services hereunder has a current license, and any other licenses and/or certificates required by law. Documentation that Contractor has verified the current status of all such licenses and/or certifications shall be retained by Contractor for purposes of inspection and audit and made available to County upon request.

All Physician Affiliates providing services hereunder shall provide Medical Facility Administrator with a copy of all current licenses, credentials, and certifications, as appropriate, at the time such Physician Affiliate is first assigned to said County Facility.

All Physician Affiliates providing services hereunder must meet the credentialing criteria set forth in the Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association ("PSA") bylaws or other credentialing process prior to providing services under this Agreement. Each Medical Facility Administrator shall verify the current status of each Physician Affiliate's license, medical clearance(s), credentials, and certifications, as appropriate, when such Physician Affiliate is first assigned to such Medical Facility. Medical Facility shall refuse utilization of any Physician Affiliate who does not meet Medical Facility's PSA

credentialing criteria and/or whose license, credentials, and certifications, as appropriate, are not current.

In the event Medical Facility inadvertently utilizes the services of a Physician Affiliate who lacks the appropriate licenses, credentials, and certificates, as appropriate, Medical Facility shall not pay for any time worked by that Physician Affiliate.

Failure to maintain one hundred percent (100%) compliance with the requirements of this Paragraph, as determined by a County audit/compliance review, shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County shall immediately terminate this Agreement.

B. Bloodborne Pathogens Training: All Physician Affiliates providing services hereunder must read and sign a statement that she/he has read the Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA") Bloodborne Pathogens Programmed Instruction packet prior to providing services under this Agreement.

C. Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation Certification: All Physician Affiliates providing services hereunder must be currently certified in cardio-pulmonary resuscitation ("CPR") from either the American Heart Association, the American Red Cross, or other County approved program and

must carry their current, original (not a copy) CPR card at all times.

D. Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organization Standards: All Physician Affiliates providing services hereunder shall be in conformance with the continuing education requirements established by the JCAHO.

4. PERSONNEL:

A. Medical Facility's Administrator may discipline or terminate any Physician Affiliate, for any appropriate reason, in its sole discretion, during the period of such Physician Affiliate's assignment to Medical Facility. Contractor agrees to accept and abide by any decision of Medical Facility.

Contractor may discipline or terminate any Physician Affiliate, without cause, in its sole discretion, during the period of Physician Affiliate's assignment to Medical Facility. County agrees to accept and abide by any decision of Contractor.

In termination cases, Contractor may bill Medical Facility for the actual hours worked by said individual prior to his/her removal.

B. Director shall advise Contractor of verbal or written disciplinary or termination action regarding Physician Affiliate(s) within a reasonable period of time



after issuance. The intent of the parties is to communicate in good faith regarding problems involving Contractor-referred Physician Affiliates.

C. Any Medical Facility may refuse assignment of a Physician Affiliate who has previously been requested to be removed from the provision of services by any other County Medical Facility.

D. Contractor shall establish appropriate policies and procedures regarding initial and follow-up procedures for Contractor's Physician Affiliates who experience an industrial accident (e.g., needle stick) while working at County Facility. In the event one of Contractor's Physician Affiliates receives a needle stick, such Physician Affiliate may seek immediate medical care at the assigned Medical Facility at Contractor's expense. Follow-up for Physician Affiliates exposed to HIV positive patients must be in accordance with Federal Centers for Disease Control and State guidelines and is the responsibility of Contractor and the individual Physician Affiliate.

5. STANDARDS OF CARE:

A. All services provided hereunder shall be performed in accordance with all applicable and accepted professional and ethical standards of the medical profession and that such services shall be in compliance with all applicable

Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, and directives, as well as with all applicable regulations, policies, procedures, rules, and directives of the respective Medical Facilities, and of the professional staff associations of Medical Facilities where Contractor's referred Physician Affiliates have professional staff association membership.

B. County has established a Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee, composed of County employees appointed by Director to review the services contemplated by this Agreement and to assure a standard of care by Contractor and others which is consistent with the laws of the State and Federal government, with County's Quality Assessment and Improvement standards, and with the prevailing standards of medical practice in the community. Contractor agrees to adhere to the standards thereby established and to permit review by County's Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee representatives.

6. PARKING SPACE: When providing services at a Medical Facility hereunder, Contractor's Physician Affiliate shall be furnished by Administrator with an assigned parking area at the Medical Facility, if available.

## EXHIBIT B

### BILLING, PAYMENT AND SCHEDULE OF RATES

1. BILLING AND PAYMENT: Contractor shall bill County weekly in arrears, in accordance with the terms, conditions, and rates set forth below. All billings shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable detail of the services for which claim is made, including, but not limited to, type of services (procedures) provided, name of the Physician Affiliate who provided services, date, and hours worked, the authorized rate, and any other charges or credits, as set forth in this Agreement.

Billings shall be made and forwarded to the appropriate Medical Facility to the attention of the Expenditure Management Division promptly at the end of each week. Upon receipt of a complete and correct billing, County shall pay Contractor within thirty (30) working days. Incorrect and/or discrepant billings, as determined by the Medical Facility, will be returned to Contractor for correction before payment is made.

2. HOURLY RATES: County shall compensate Contractor for each Physician Affiliate providing services hereunder in accordance with the schedule of rate(s) listed below.

Contractor agrees that should any Physician Affiliate perform services not requested and specified in Exhibit "A", such services shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of Contractor and the Physician Affiliate, and neither party shall have any claim against County for such services.

Services	Rates*
Physician Specialist (Licensed Physician specializing in cardiology or oncology)	<p>\$1,200 per eight-hour day**; or,</p> <p>\$ 125 per hour*** which rate is to be paid only in the event that the Physician Specialist is needed for fewer than eight hours in any one day; or,</p> <p>\$200 per procedure.</p>
Physician Specialist (Licensed Physician specializing in radiology)	<p>\$1,800 per eight hour day**; or</p> <p>\$225 per hour*** which rate is to be paid only in the event that the Physician Specialist is needed for fewer than eight hours in any one day.</p> <p>* Mealtime and break periods are <u>not</u> compensable for purposes of determining time reimbursable under this rate schedule.</p> <p>** If services are paid on an hourly basis, payment for any period less than an hour shall be prorated.</p> <p>**No physician specialist is to work more than eight (8) hours in any twenty-four (24) hour period.</p>

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EXHIBIT II  
Contract # \_\_\_\_\_  
(Physician Services)  
(All Facilities)

PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY  
MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this \_\_\_\_\_ day  
of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_,

by and between the \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
(hereafter "County"),

and \_\_\_\_\_  
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Health and Safety Code,  
Sections 1441 and 1445, County has established and operates,  
through its Department of Health Services, various County  
hospitals, comprehensive health centers and health centers,  
including \_\_\_\_\_ (hereafter  
"Medical Facility"); and

WHEREAS, a large number of physician specialty medical  
services must be available to meet the needs of sick or injured  
County patients requiring treatment at Medical Facilities; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that it has insufficient  
physician staff to provide all of the necessary specialty medical  
services required for its patients; and

WHEREAS, County has further determined that the specialty  
medical services to be provided hereunder are needed only on a  
part-time or intermittent basis; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provision of part-time or intermittent services, it is the intent of the parties that the services provided pursuant to this Agreement shall be used only to address unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, vacation coverage or service needs that are sporadic or unpredictable in nature such that they do not give rise to the need for a full-time physician; and

WHEREAS, Contractor has been selected by the Department of Health Services in accordance with procedures established by the Board of Supervisors to fill a critically needed specialty position at Medical Facility (applicable only to new agreements with physician contractors which start on or after July 1, 2004); and

WHEREAS, Contractor either is (if not incorporated), or has (if incorporated) as its principal officer, a physician duly licensed and certified under the laws of the State of California to engage in the practice of medicine; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is either Board certified in his or her specialty(ies) or is eligible to take the examination to become Board certified in his or her specialty(ies); and

WHEREAS, Contractor has applied for and been granted membership in Medical Facility's Professional Staff Association and clinical privileges in accordance with such Association's bylaws; and

WHEREAS, County is authorized by California Government Code Sections 26227 and 31000, and by California Health and Safety Code Sections 1441, 1445, and 1451, and by Los Angeles County Code section 2.121.250 B (4) to contract for the part-time or intermittent medical services described hereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. TERM AND TERMINATION:

A. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the date of its execution by County's Director of the Department of Health Services, or his or her authorized designee (collectively hereafter "Director"), with such date reflected on the top of page 1 of Agreement, and shall continue in full force and effect to and including June 30, 2009. In any event, either party may terminate this Agreement at any time, for any reason, with or without cause, by providing at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notice thereof to the other party.

B. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Director may find Contractor out of compliance with this Agreement and immediately terminate this Agreement if Contractor has demonstrated a consistent failure to adhere to Medical Facility's policies, procedures, and contractual requirements, as outlined in this Agreement and in the Department of Health Services' and Medical Facility's



Professional Staff Association bylaws, rules, and policy manuals.

C. County may suspend or terminate this Agreement immediately if Contractor's license to practice medicine is suspended or revoked by the State of California (Medical Board of California or California Board of Osteopathy, as appropriate).

D. County's failure to exercise any right of termination under this Paragraph shall not constitute waiver of such right and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

E. Director is authorized to execute any necessary or required suspension(s) or termination(s) pursuant to this Paragraph on behalf of County.

F. In conjunction with any suspension or termination of Agreement by County, Contractor understands and acknowledges that she/he shall have no right to any County administrative hearing or other County due process right under Medical Facility's bylaws or other County administrative forum to challenge or appeal such suspension or termination.

G. Unless earlier cancelled or terminated, this Agreement shall concurrently terminate on the date that County either (1) transfers the management and operation of Medical Facility, by sale or management contract (e.g.,

lease of Medical Facility), to a third party, or (2) closes Medical Facility.

2. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION OF COUNTY: During the term of this Agreement, the maximum obligation of County for all services provided hereunder shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_)  
as follows:

A. During the period date of execution by Director through June 30, 2006, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

B. During the period July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_);

C. During the period July 1, 2007, through June 30, 2008, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_); and,

D. During the period July 1, 2008, through June 30, 2009, the maximum obligation of County shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ (\$\_\_\_\_\_).

3. PRIOR AGREEMENT SUPERSEDED: Effective date of execution by Director, this Agreement shall replace and supersede Physician Specialty Medical Services Agreement Contract No. \_\_\_\_\_ and any and all Amendments thereto.

4. ADMINISTRATION: Director is authorized to administer this Agreement on behalf of County.

5. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: Contractor shall provide medical services as set forth in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT: Contractor shall bill County in accordance with the payment procedures set forth in Exhibit "A".

7. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of agent, servant, employee, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees or agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, the employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its employees all legally required employee benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, Federal, State and local taxes, or other compensation or benefits to any employees provided by Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor and all persons furnishing services to County on behalf of

Contractor pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole responsibility of Contractor and not the responsibility of County. Contractor shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for any and all workers' compensation benefits to Contractor and any person as a result of injuries arising from or connected with services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

8. COUNTY PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION:

A. County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (for purposes of this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from liability, expense and claims for damages resulting from or related to a medical incident arising out of the provision of contract services hereunder. For purposes of this Agreement, a medical incident shall mean any act or omission in the rendering of, or failure to render, medical services, or treatment to County patients by Contractor, at County's Medical Facility, in the performance of Contractor's professional obligations under this Agreement.

B. County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall only apply to payments of settlements, judgements, and awards to third parties, including legal defense expenses.

County's indemnification of Contractor hereunder shall further only arise if Contractor's liability is to a County patient or the patient's representative, and the patient, at the time of the medical incident, was assigned to the care of Contractor. To the extent that County is obligated to provide an indemnification program hereunder, County will also provide claims administration and legal defense on behalf of Contractor.

C. Contractor shall give prompt telephonic notice (within twenty-four [24] hours) to Medical Facility's Risk Manager of any incident, action, or claim to which this indemnification applies and shall fully cooperate with County and its claims representatives, in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim. Such telephonic notice shall be immediately followed by written notice to Medical Facility's Risk Manager. Such written notice shall include all of the information listed in County's Risk Management form. Contractor hereby acknowledges receipt of said County Risk Management form.

D. County reserves the right to investigate any incident, action, or claim. In such event, Contractor shall allow County representatives access to the medical records and reports pertaining to the services provided to any

County patient involved in such incident, action, or claim. Contractor shall also allow County representatives access to its employees and agents, if any, who provided services to the County patients involved in such incident, action, or claim.

County's agents, as designated by Director, will consult with Contractor regarding the disposition of any action or claim hereunder. However, County reserves the right to determine the final disposition of any action or claim. In the event Contractor does not agree with County's agents in any defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim, Contractor may pursue defense, settlement, or other disposition of such action or claim independently and County's indemnification obligation with respect to such action or claim shall immediately terminate. In such event, County shall have no financial obligation on behalf of Contractor for liability, expenses, including legal defense fees and expenses, or payments of settlements, judgements, awards, or damages arising out of the medical incident.

E. County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor where Contractor failed to provide County with prompt telephonic and written notice of such incident, action, or claim, as specified in Subparagraph 6.C. above,

or if Contractor has failed to fully and reasonably cooperate with County and its agents in the defense, settlement, or other disposition of such incident, action, or claim.

In addition, County shall have no indemnification responsibility or liability for any incident, action, or claim against Contractor by patients or their legal representatives, other than those covered specifically by this Agreement. Moreover, this indemnification shall not cover Contractor's damages or expenses arising out of Contractor's willful or criminal misconduct, nor shall it cover the award of any punitive damages.

F. The provisions of this Paragraph shall survive the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement for actions or claims against Contractor.

9. COUNTY GENERAL LIABILITY INDEMNIFICATION: As part of County's consideration under this Agreement, County shall indemnify, defend, and save harmless Contractor, its officers, and employees (in this Paragraph hereafter collectively referred to as "Contractor") from general liability, expense, and claims for damages of third parties resulting from or directly related to the provision of services at County's Medical Facility to County patients under this Agreement, except that this indemnification shall not extend to Contractor's willful or

criminal misconduct or to any Contractor actions which result in the imposition of punitive damages. Nor shall this indemnification cover claims or actions against Contractor arising from Contractor's or his or her employees' negligent use of an automobile or other motor vehicle.

10. CONTRACTOR INDEMNIFICATION: With the exception of the professional liability indemnification and the general liability indemnification provided by County, as stated above, Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

11. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Without limiting County's indemnification of Contractor, and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense.

A. Evidence of Insurance: Certification(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County shall be



delivered to the parties and locations as listed in Paragraph 11, NOTICES, Subparagraph A, Sub-sub paragraphs (1) and (2), prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

(1) Specifically identify this Agreement.

(2) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.

(3) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.

(4) Pursuant to Paragraph 10, INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS, include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insureds for all activities arising from this Agreement.

(5) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's approval. County retains the right to require Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expense or

fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

B. Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County.

C. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County, shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

D. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(1) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a

claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence.

(2) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(3) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-Employee Injury Report" to County contract manager.

(4) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

E. Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements for Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(1) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractors, or

(2) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

12. INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Liability Insurance. If Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor also shall maintain general liability insurance (written on ISO policy form CG 00 01 or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$1 Million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 Million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 Million

B. Automobile Liability Insurance (written on ISO policy form CA 00 01 or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$300,000 for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

C. Professional Liability Insurance: Consistent with Medical Facility's Professional Staff Associations' Bylaws governing physician services provided under community hospital status, if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and admits and treats his or her private patients at Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice and County patients will receive services at the Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor shall provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of Contractor, its officers or employees, with limits of not less than \$1 Million per occurrence and \$3 Million aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

If Contractor does not maintain a private medical practice and does not admit or treat private patients at County's Medical Facility, or if Contractor maintains a private medical practice, but does not treat County patients at Contractor's private practice location(s), then Contractor need not provide for herself/himself/itself a program of professional liability insurance to cover services provided under this Agreement.

D. Workers Compensation and Employer's Liability

Insurance: If Contractor utilizes any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder, as set forth in Exhibit "A", Paragraph 4, then Contractor shall provide workers compensation benefits, as required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:	\$1 Million
Disease - Policy Limit:	\$1 Million
Disease - Each Employee:	\$1 Million

13. NOTICES: Any and all notices required, permitted, or desired to be given hereunder by one party to the other shall be in writing and may either be delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the parties named. Director is authorized to issue all notices which are required or permitted by County hereunder. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by either party by giving ten (10) calendar days prior written notice thereof to the other party.

A. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

(1) \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Attention: Office of the Administrator

(2) Department of Health Services  
Contracts and Grants Division  
313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor-East  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attention: Division Director

B. Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

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\_\_\_\_\_

14. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS: Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is a document labeled "ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS". The terms and conditions therein contained are part of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by its

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Director of Health Services, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.  
Director and Chief Medical Officer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Contractor

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT  
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Health Services

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Cara O'Neill, Chief  
Contracts and Grants Division

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(All Facilities: On-Site/On-Call)

EXHIBIT A

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

PART-TIME/INTERMITTENT PHYSICIAN SPECIALTY MEDICAL SERVICES

1. SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED: Contractor is a physician, duly licensed to practice medicine in the State of California, Board certified or Board eligible, in her/his specialty and has applied for and been granted medical staff privileges at Medical Facility, \_\_\_\_\_. Contractor shall at all times meet the minimum professional qualifications defined in this Agreement.

For purposes of this Agreement, "County patients" are defined as those patients at Medical Facility who are designated as County patients by the County Medical Facility's Medical Director or his authorized designee (hereafter collectively "Medical Director"), who are inpatients or outpatients, and who are not admitted or treated by medical staff members as private patients under such Medical Facility's community hospital status.

Contractor's services shall be performed only for County patients, as defined above, and shall be under the administrative and professional direction of Medical Director. Medical Facility shall retain professional and administrative responsibility for the services provided under this Agreement. Such services include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:

A. \_\_\_\_\_ and related services at times and on dates scheduled in writing by Medical Director. Medical Director shall be responsible for including in Contractor's written schedule all on-site and on-call service hours and further shall be responsible for distinguishing between the two types of service hours on Contractor's written schedule.

Additionally, Medical Director shall assign Contractor only on a part-time or intermittent basis and shall utilize Contractor only to fulfill service needs that arise as a result of unanticipated, critical staffing shortages, peak workloads, unexpected emergencies, vacation coverage or a sporadic or unpredictable need that does not give rise to the need for a full-time physician. Medical Director shall be responsible for including the reason for Contractor's assignment in accordance with the categories set forth herein (e.g., unanticipated, critical staffing shortage, peak workload, unexpected emergency, vacation coverage or sporadic/unpredictable need).

Medical Facility shall maintain such schedules throughout the Agreement term and for a period of five years thereafter for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Consultation services to Medical Facility medical departments, other than department of primary assignment,

concerning County patients, upon request of Medical Director.

C. Surgical services and appropriate pre-operative medical services (where applicable to Contractor's medical specialty) at Medical Facility, upon request of Medical Director.

D. Emergency medical services at Medical Facility, including weekends and holidays, upon request of Medical Director.

E. Upon prior, written approval of Medical Director, administrative services, as requested by Medical Director, to include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Participating on Quality Assurance and Utilization Review Committees;

- (2) Participating on Medical Facility's medical staff committees;

- (3) Participating in Medical Facility's licensure and Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organization ("JCAHO") reviews;

- (4) Participating in Medical Facility's planning and equipment planning activities; and

- (5) Developing internal policies and procedures.

F. Such other medical services at Medical Facility as may be requested by Medical Director in writing, consistent with the terms and conditions of the Agreement.

G. In no event shall Contractor be permitted to work more than 1,767 hours annually in the discharge of all service obligations set forth in this Paragraph 1. The 1,767 annual hour limit shall include all on-site service hours work as well as all on-call service hours.

2. CONTRACTOR'S PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS:

A. Licenses: All physicians providing services at Medical Facility must be appropriately licensed by the State of California and each must carry her/his current State license (not a copy) while on County premises.

Prior to the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide Medical Director with a copy of all current licenses, credentials, or certifications required by law for the provision of services hereunder.

B. Board Certification: During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall continuously have and maintain board certification or board eligibility in her/his specialty(ies) for which he or she has contracted to provide hereunder.

C. Credentialing Requirements: Contractor must meet the credentialing criteria set forth by Medical Facility

prior to providing services under this Agreement. Among other things, Medical Director shall verify the current status of Contractor's licenses, medical clearance(s) (in accordance with Title 22, California Code of Regulations requirements), credentials, certifications, and claims history. Medical Director shall also query the National Data Bank and the State Medical Board about Contractor's background. Medical Director shall discontinue Contractor's services immediately if Contractor either does not meet Medical Facility's credentialing criteria, or Contractor's licenses, credentials, or certifications are not current, or both.

In the event Medical Facility inadvertently utilizes Contractor's services absent the appropriate licenses, credentials, or certifications, Medical Facility shall have no obligation to pay Contractor for services to patients hereunder.

D. Bloodborne Pathogens: Contractor must read and sign a statement that she/he has read the Occupational Safety and Health Agency ("OSHA") Bloodborne Pathogens Information packet prior to providing services under this Agreement. Medical Director shall retain such statement in Contractor's credentialing files.

Failure to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph, as determined by a Medical Facility audit/ compliance review, shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which Director may immediately terminate this Agreement.

E. Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations Standards: Throughout the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall be in conformance with the applicable continuing education requirements established by JCAHO or the State Medical Board or both.

3. STANDARDS OF CARE:

A. All specialty medical services provided hereunder shall be performed in accordance with all applicable and accepted professional and ethical standards of the medical profession and shall be in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, and directives, as well as with all applicable regulations, policies, procedures, rules, and directives of Medical Facility, and of its professional staff association.

B. County has established a Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee, composed of County employees appointed by Director to review the services contemplated by this Agreement and to assure a standard of care by Contractor and others which is consistent with the laws of

the State and Federal governments, with County's Quality Assessment and Improvement standards, and with the prevailing standards of medical practice in the community. Contractor agrees to adhere to the standards thereby established and to fully cooperate in any review of patient care by County's Quality Assessment and Improvement Committee representatives at Medical Facility.

4. USE OF EMPLOYEES AND AGENTS: Contractor shall not utilize any of its employees or agents in the provision of any medical services at Medical Facility hereunder without obtaining the prior written approval of Medical Director and without otherwise satisfying all other delegation and subcontracting requirements of Agreement. No such employee or agent shall provide services on County premises unless he or she has satisfied all applicable physical examination and immunization requirements of Title 22, California Code of Regulations.

In any event, Contractor shall immediately remove any Contractor employee or agent from the provision of such services at Medical Facility upon receipt of oral or written notice from Medical Director that the actions of such employee or agent may adversely affect the delivery of health care services.

Regardless of Contractor's use of any employee or agent hereunder, County shall only be obligated to pay for Contractor's personal services hereunder.

5. COMPENSATION:

A. County shall compensate Contractor for his or her on-site professional services performed at Medical Facility on an hourly basis as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

County shall compensate Contractor for his or her on-call professional services on an hourly basis at up to fifty percent (50%) of the rate set forth above. During the term of this Agreement, County's compensation for on-call professional services shall be \$\_\_\_\_\_ per hour.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, only the following physician specialties shall be placed upon, and therefore reimbursed for, on-call status: Anesthesiology, Ophthalmology, Orthopedics, Neuro-surgery, Vascular Surgery, Pediatric Surgery, Plastic Surgery, Cardiology (Echocardiography), Cardiothoracic Surgery, and Radiology (Interventional, Invasive).

If Contractor performs services for less than one hour, payment for that hour shall be reduced by prorating to the number of minutes in the hour worked.

Medical Director shall assure that such medical services were indeed provided and that Medical Facility maintains appropriate time records to reflect the provision of same.



B. In the event this Agreement is suspended, canceled, or terminated, County's payment obligation above shall cease as of the date of such suspension, cancellation, or termination.

C. Contractor shall pay the wages of his or her employees or agents who may render services hereunder as well as be responsible for all employment obligations and benefits for each employee, including, but not limited to, Federal and State withholding taxes, Social Security taxes, Unemployment Insurance and Disability payments.

D. Contractor agrees that should it perform services not requested and specified in Paragraph 1 above, such services shall be deemed to be a gratuitous effort on the part of Contractor and Contractor shall have no claim against County for such services.

6. BILLING AND PAYMENT:

A. Contractor shall bill County monthly, in arrears, in accordance with the terms, conditions and rates set forth above. All billings shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable detail of the services for which claim is made, including, but not limited to, type of services provided (e.g., critical care, neonatal care, administrative, etc.), whether such services were provided on-call or on-site, date and hours worked, and the applicable hourly rate.

B. Billings shall be made in duplicate and forwarded to the Medical Facility and to the attention of the Expenditure Management Division promptly at the end of each month. Upon receipt of a complete and correct billing, County shall pay Contractor within thirty (30) working days. Incorrect and/or discrepant billings, as determined by County, will be returned to Contractor for correction before payment is made.

C. Contractor shall not bill any County patient or third-party for services provided under this Agreement; nor shall Contractor accept or receive any cash payment or other compensation from or on behalf of any such patient or third party for such services. Should any such payment be received, Contractor shall immediately notify Medical Facility Administrator of that fact in writing.

D. Contractor shall fully cooperate with Medical Facility staff, and the staff of the County's Treasurer-Tax Collector or any County billing and collection contractor, in billing third-party payers and patients for care provided by Contractor hereunder.

7. PARKING SPACE: When providing services hereunder at Medical Facility, parking for Contractor's vehicle will be made available by Medical Director to Contractor.

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1. RECORDS AND AUDITS:

A. Financial Records: Contractor shall prepare and maintain accurate and complete financial records of its activities and operations as they relate to services provided under this Agreement in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Contractor shall also maintain accurate and complete personnel time records and other records of all services provided hereunder. All such records shall include supporting documentation and other information sufficient to fully and accurately reflect Contractor's provision of services hereunder, including, but not limited to, its cost of providing such services and all charges billed to County.

All financial records of Contractor pertaining to this Agreement shall be retained by Contractor for a minimum period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. During such five (5) years, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Southern California and shall be made available during County's normal business hours to representatives of County's Auditor-Controller and the Department of Health Services for purposes of inspection and audit.

B. Patient Records: Contractor shall prepare all appropriate medical records for County patients receiving services hereunder. If a County patient receives services from Contractor at Contractor's private office (a possibility for High Desert Hospital patients only), then Contractor shall also maintain such records on any such patient. Such records shall include, but are not limited to, progress notes and records of services provided in sufficient detail to permit the evaluation of services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. All patient records for patients seen in Contractor's office shall be retained by Contractor for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise required under State law. During such five (5) year period, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all such records shall be retained by Contractor at a location in Los Angeles County and shall be made available upon ten (10) working days prior written notice to authorized representatives of County designated by Director or by County's Auditor-Controller, or both, for purposes of inspection and audit.

C. Knox-Keene Health Care Services Requirements: If Contractor provides medical services hereunder at its private offices, Contractor shall further maintain all

applicable books, documents, and records regarding services rendered to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan for a period of five (5) years following the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement. This obligation shall not be terminated upon expiration or termination of this Agreement.

Director shall have the right to inspect, at reasonable times upon demand during the term of this Agreement and for five (5) years thereafter, Contractor's books, records, and papers relating to: (1) the provisions of health services at Contractor's office to subscribers or enrollees of the Los Angeles County Community Health Plan, (2) the costs thereof, (3) co-payments received by Contractor from subscribers or enrollees and, (4) the financial condition of Contractor.

Contractor shall maintain such records and provide such information to the Commissioner of Corporations as may be necessary for compliance with the provisions of the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975 (California Health and Safety Code sections 1340, et seq.) and all rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

D. Federal Access to Records: If, and to the extent that, section 1861(v)(1)(I) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. section 1395(v)(1)(I)] is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of five (5) years following the



furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States, or to any of their duly authorized representatives, the contract, books, documents, and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the cost of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through a subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under Federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall provide for such access to the subcontract, books, documents, and records of the subcontractor.

E. Audit Report: In the event that an audit is conducted of Contractor by a Federal or State auditor (including audits conducted by the Medicare and Medi-Cal programs, or both), Contractor shall file a copy of each such audit report(s) with County's Auditor-Controller Department within thirty (30) calendar days of receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided for under this Agreement, or under applicable State or Federal regulations. To the

extent permitted by law, County shall maintain the confidentiality of all such audit report(s).

F. Audit/Compliance Review: In the event County representatives conduct an audit/compliance review of Contractor, Contractor shall fully cooperate with County's representatives. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to all financial reports, medical records, and reports pertaining to this Agreement and shall allow photocopies to be made of these documents utilizing Contractor's photocopier, for which County shall reimburse Contractor its customary charge for record copying services, if requested. Director shall provide Contractor with at least ten (10) working days prior written notice of any audit/compliance review.

County may conduct a statistical audit/compliance review of all claims paid by County during a specified period. The sample shall be determined in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. An exit conference shall be held following the performance of any such audit/compliance review at which time the results shall be discussed with Contractor. Contractor shall be provided with a copy of any resultant written evaluation report(s).

Contractor shall have the opportunity to review County's findings for Contractor, and Contractor shall have thirty

(30) calendar days after receipt of County's audit/compliance review results to provide documentation to the County representatives to resolve audit exceptions. If, at the end of the thirty (30) day period there remain audit exceptions which have not been resolved to the satisfaction of County's representatives, then the exception rate found in the audit or sample results shall be applied to the total County payments made to Contractor for all claims paid during the audit/compliance review period to determine Contractor's liability to County.

G. County Audit Settlements: If, at any time during the term of this Agreement or at any time within five (5) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, authorized representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the services provided to County hereunder and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such services is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then Contractor agrees that the difference shall be either: (1) repaid forthwith by Contractor to County by cash payment, or (2) at Director's option, deducted from any further amount due to Contractor from County. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for services provided hereunder is more than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference

shall be paid forthwith by County to Contractor by cash payment.

H. Failure to Comply: Failure of Contractor to comply with the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County shall give Contractor a written "Notice of Material Breach". If such breach has not been cured within ten (10) business days following the giving of such Notice, then County may, at County's sole discretion, immediately terminate this Agreement pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 1, TERM AND TERMINATION, in the body of this Agreement. County's failure to exercise this right of termination shall not constitute waiver of such right, and the same may be exercised at any subsequent time.

2. CONFIDENTIALITY: Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of all records and information, including, but not limited to, billings, County records and patient records, in accordance with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality. Contractor shall inform all its officer, employees, and agents, providing services hereunder of the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability,

and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by Contractor, its officer, employees, and agents.

County shall indemnify and hold harmless Contractor, its officers, employees, and agents, from and against any and all loss, damages, liability, and expense arising out of any disclosure of such records and information by County, its officers, employees, or agents.

3. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES: Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap, in accordance with requirements of Federal and State law. For the purpose of this Paragraph, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to any person which is different, or is provided in a different manner, or at a different time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any matter related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirement or

conditions which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, age, sexual orientation, or physical or mental handicap.

4. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:

A. Contractor certifies and agrees that all persons employed by it, its affiliates, subsidiaries or holding companies are and will be treated equally by it without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

B. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, in compliance with all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may

hereafter be amended. Such action shall include, but is not limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

C. Contractor shall deal with its subcontractors, bidders or vendors without regard to, and will not be discriminated against because of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, age, or physical or mental handicap, as required by all applicable anti-discrimination laws and regulations of the United States of America and the State of California as they now exist or may hereafter be amended.

D. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to its employment records during regular business hours to verify compliance with these provisions when so requested by Director. Prior to any such inspection, Contractor may remove personal employee information from such records which is protected under the privacy laws of the State of California. To the extent any such information may come into the possession of County during such an inspection, County hereby promises to protect same from disclosure to third parties.

E. If County finds that any of the above provisions have been violated, the same shall constitute a material breach of Agreement upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the Federal Equal Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated Federal or State anti-discrimination laws or regulations shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph.

F. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, County shall, at its option, be entitled to a sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) per violation or group of such violations investigated, pursuant to Civil Code section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of terminating or suspending this Agreement.

G. The parties understand and agree that the liquidated damages payable pursuant to Subparagraph 4.F. above are meant to compensate County for the costs of each investigation of violation(s) of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph, and therefore, the parties



agree that the basis for assessing liquidated damages for purposes of Sub-paragraph 4.F. above shall be the number of investigative reports submitted to Director, provided that no violation may be covered in more than one report.

Director shall use his best efforts to insure that violations will be grouped together whenever possible for purposes of investigation.

5. LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES:

Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law for the operation of its medical practice and for the provision of services pursuant to this Agreement. Contractor shall ensure that all its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder, obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance of services hereunder. Such licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates shall be made available to Director upon request.

6. RULES AND REGULATIONS: During the time the Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents are at Medical Facility, Contractor and such persons shall be subject to the rules and regulations of Medical Facility. It is the responsibility of Contractor to acquaint itself and such persons who may provide

services hereunder with such rules and regulations. Contractor shall immediately and permanently withdraw any of its officers, employees, or agents from the provision of services hereunder upon receipt of written notice from Director that (a) such officer(s), employee(s), or agent(s) has (have) violated such rules and regulations, or (b) such officer's, employee's, or agent's actions, while on County premises, may harm County patients. Director shall provide Contractor with a written statement of the facts supporting any such violation or action.

7. STAFF PERFORMANCE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE: Contractor shall use its best efforts to ensure that no employee or physician, including Contractor, will perform services hereunder while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance that might impair her/his physical or mental performance.

8. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE DURING DISASTER OR CIVIL UNREST: Contractor recognizes that health care facilities maintained by County, including shelters and relief facilities operated by County during a disaster, provide care essential to the residents of the communities they serve and that these services are of particular importance at the time of a natural disaster or other similar event, or at the time of riot, insurrection, or civil unrest. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, Contractor shall continue to provide services at Medical Facility

and, if requested to do so by Director, shall also provide services at County-operated shelters and relief facilities, during any natural disaster or other similar event, riot, insurrection or civil unrest, so long as such performance remains physically possible.

Director shall provide Contractor with an explanation of the services and responsibilities required of Contractor in the event of a disaster or civil unrest.

9. UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION: Contractor shall inform all of its officers, employees, and agents providing services hereunder of the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with section 6150) of the California Business and Professions Code (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to ensure that there is no violation of said provisions by its officers, employees, and agents. Contractor agrees that if a patient requests assistance in obtaining the services of any attorney, it will refer the patient to the attorney referral service of those bar associations within Los Angeles County that have such a service.

10. CONFLICT OF INTEREST: No County officer or employee whose position in County enables him/her to influence the award or the administration of this Agreement or any competing

agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such officer or employee, shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor herein, or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement.

No officer or employee of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval, or ongoing evaluation, of such services, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to Director. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons involved and complete description of all relevant circumstances.

11. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:

A. Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee,

excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

B. For breach or violation of this warranty, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and, in its sole discretion, to deduct from the Agreement price or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, or brokerage or contingent fee.

12. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION:

Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any assignment or delegation which does not have such prior County consent shall be null and void.

13. SUBCONTRACTING:

A. For purposes of this Agreement, subcontracts shall be approved by Director or his/her authorized designee(s). Contractor's request to Director for approval of a subcontract shall include:

(1) Identification of the proposed subcontractor and an explanation of why and how the proposed subcontractor was selected, including a description of Contractor's efforts to obtain competitive bids.

(2) A description of the services to be provided under the subcontract.

(3) The proposed subcontract amount, together with Contractor's cost or price analysis thereof. In the event that the subcontracted services are to be provided to Contractor on either a gratuitous or "pro bono" or "volunteer" basis, Contractor shall state as such.

(4) A copy of the proposed subcontract. Any later modification of such subcontract shall take the form of a formally written subcontract amendment, which must be approved in writing by Director before such amendment is effective.

B. Subcontracts issued pursuant to this Paragraph shall be in writing and shall contain at least the intent of all of the Paragraphs of the body of the Agreement, including the ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS, and the requirements of the exhibit(s), including their attachments.

C. At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the subcontract's proposed effective date, Contractor shall submit for review and approval to Director a copy of the proposed subcontract instrument. With Director's written approval of the subcontract instrument, the subcontract may proceed.

D. Subcontracts shall be made in the name of Contractor and shall not bind County. The making of subcontracts hereunder shall not relieve Contractor of any requirement under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the duty to properly supervise and coordinate the work of subcontractors. Approval of the provisions of any subcontract by County shall not be construed to constitute a determination of the allowability of any cost under this Agreement. In no event shall approval of any subcontract by County be construed as affecting any increase to the amount contained in the MAXIMUM OBLIGATION Paragraph.

E. Failure by Contractor to comply with this Paragraph 35 shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach.

14. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, and directives applicable to its performance hereunder. Further, all provisions required thereby to be included in this Agreement are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County, its officers, employees and agents from and against any and

all loss, damage, liability, or expense resulting from any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents of such Federal, State, or local laws, ordinances, regulations, or directives.

15. AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor hereby represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation set forth in this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

16. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS: Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law including, but not limited to, the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

17. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION: Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all Federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of aliens and others, and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the



citizenship or alien status requirements contained in Federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by Federal statutes and regulations as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of Federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

18. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any federal monies are to be used to pay for Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by section 319, Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds provided under this Agreement also fully comply with all such certification and disclosure requirements.

19. COUNTY LOBBYISTS: Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist

Ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any County lobbyist retained by Contractor to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

20. MERGER PROVISION: The body of this Agreement, including all the exhibits and attachments thereto, fully express all understandings of the parties concerning all matters covered and shall constitute the total Agreement. No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement whether by written or verbal understanding of the parties, their officers, agents, or employees, shall be valid unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties.

21. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Agreement, including any provision in an exhibit, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

22. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION AND DEFAULT:

A. Termination for Improper Consideration: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate the right of Contractor to proceed under this Agreement if it is found that consideration, in any form, was offered or given

by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of the Agreement, or the making of any determinations with respect to Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County manager charged with the supervision of the employee or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

Among other items, such improper consideration may take the form of cash, discounts, service, the provision of travel or entertainment, or tangible gifts.

B. Termination for Default: County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:

(1) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to satisfactorily perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or

any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or

(2) If, as determined in the sole judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of five (5) calendar days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of notice from County specifying such failure.

In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided hereinabove, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may seem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County, as determined by County, for such similar services. The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

23. COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: Director will evaluate Contractor's performance under this Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing

Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which Director determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of this Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to the County Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by County and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate this Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in this Agreement.

24. CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through County contracts are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the Federal Social Security Act [42 USC Section 653 (a)] and California Unemployment Insurance Code Section 1088.55,

and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholding Orders or Child Support Services Department ("CSSD") Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure Section 706.031 and Family Code Section 5246 (b).

25. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in the CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM Paragraph immediately above, shall constitute default under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement, failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to the TERM AND TERMINATION Paragraph of this Agreement, and pursue debarment of Contractor pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

26. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT: Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the enforcement of child support laws and the apprehension of child support evaders. Contractor understands that it is County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post County's "L.A.'s ("Los Angeles")

Most Wanted: Delinquent Parents" poster in a prominent position at Contractor's place of business. County's CSSD will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

27. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT: Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under the Federal income tax laws. Such notice shall be provided in accordance with the requirements set forth in Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015.

28. CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATING IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it or any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the Federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director within thirty (30) calendar days in writing of: (1) any event that would require Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a Federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the Federal government against Contractor or one or more of its employees, agents, or staff members barring it or the employee(s), agent(s), or member(s) from participating in a Federally funded health care program,

whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any Federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a Federally funded health care program.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

29. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION - LOWER TIER COVERED TRANSACTIONS: Contractor hereby acknowledges that the County is prohibited from contracting with and making sub-awards to parties that are suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. By executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that neither it nor any of its owners, officers, partners, directors, or principals is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Further, by executing this Agreement, Contractor certifies that, to its knowledge, none of its subcontractors, at any tier, or any owner, officer, partner, director, or other principal of any subcontractor is currently suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Contractor shall immediately notify



County in writing, during the term of this agreement, should it or any of its subcontractors or any principals of either be suspended, debarred, ineligible, or excluded from securing federally funded contracts. Failure of Contractor to comply with this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which the County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

30. CONTRACTOR'S WILLINGNESS TO CONSIDER COUNTY'S EMPLOYEES FOR EMPLOYMENT: Contractor agrees to receive referrals from County's Department of Human Resources of qualified permanent employees who are targeted for layoff or qualified former employees who have been laid off and are on a re-employment list during the life of this Agreement. Such referred permanent or former County employees shall be given first consideration of employment as Contractor vacancies occur after the implementation and throughout the term of this Agreement.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary of this Agreement.

31. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES ("DPSS") GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE ("GAIN") PROGRAM OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITY FOR WORK ("GROW") PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of

this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in County's DPSS GAIN or GROW program(s), who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to Contractor. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

32. SERVICE DELIVERY SITE - MAINTENANCE STANDARDS:

Contractor shall assure that the locations (i.e., facilities) where services are provided under provisions of this Agreement are operated at all times in accordance with County community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's facility(ies) shall include a review of compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph.

33. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible contractor is a contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily

perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided under this Agreement, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time not to exceed three (3) years, and terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. County may debar Contractor if the Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County, (2) committed any act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness, or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a nonprofit corporation created by County, or engage in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or

submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether Contractor should be debarred, and, if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the proposed decision, and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right

to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contract Hearing Board.

G. These terms shall also apply to any subcontractors of Contractor.

34. COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996: The parties acknowledge the existence of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 and its implementing regulations ("HIPAA"). Contractor understands and agrees that, as a provider of medical treatment services, it is a "covered entity" under HIPAA and, as such, has obligations with respect to the confidentiality, privacy and security of patients' medical information, and must take certain steps to preserve the confidentiality of this information, both internally and externally, including the training of its staff and the establishment of proper procedures for the release of such information, and the use of appropriate consents and authorizations specified under HIPAA.

The parties acknowledge their separate and independent obligations with respect to HIPAA, and that such obligations relate to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Contractor understands and agrees that it is separately and independently responsible for compliance with HIPAA in all these areas and that County has not undertaken any responsibility for compliance on Contractor's behalf. Contractor has not relied,

and will not in any way rely, on County for legal advice or other representations with respect to Contractor's obligations under HIPAA, but will independently seek its own counsel and take the necessary measures to comply with the law and its implementing regulations.

Contractor and County understand and agree that each is independently responsible for HIPAA compliance and agree to take all necessary and reasonable actions to comply with the requirements of the HIPAA law and implementing regulations related to transactions and code sets, privacy, and security. Each party further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the other party (including their officers, employees, and agents), for its failure to comply with HIPAA.

35. SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: Contractor shall notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, and shall require that each of Contractor's subcontractors providing services under this Agreement also notify and provide to each of its officers, employees, and agents, a fact sheet regarding the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. County's fact sheet is available on the Internet at [www.babysafela.org](http://www.babysafela.org) for printing and review purposes. Further, Contractor acknowledges that County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. Contractor understands that it is

County's policy to encourage Contractor and all of its sub-contractors, providing services under this Agreement, if any, to voluntarily post County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at their place of business. County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply Contractor with the poster to be used.

36. USE OF RECYCLED-CONTENT PAPER: Consistent with County's Board of Supervisors policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content bond paper and paper products to the maximum extent possible in connection with services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

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